# UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION

## POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

Title: Manager

Functional Title: Agronomic Manager

Position Number: 103045

Category Status: Exempt Regular

Unit: AGNR-AES-CMREC-Forage Research Farm (Ellicott City, MD)

## **Position Summary/Purpose of Position:**

Under the direction of the Center Director, the Agronomy Program Manager will coordinate daily research plot activity of agronomic research farm and personnel so all requests and assignments are completed in an organized and time manner. Will work directly with scientists/researchers or his/her staff to implement projects using crop management and experimental designs. Plant, maintain and harvest crops for research and essential for feed and bedding for the dairy herd at Clarksville. Provide technical support to Research and Extension functions of the facility. Work with Dairy Program Manager to coordinate crop needs for maintaining dairy herd.

## Qualifications:

Required -

- Bachelor's degree in Agronomy or related field
- CDL (obtain within one year)
- Nutrient Management Cert and Public Agency Applicators Certification (obtain within 18 months)
- Five years Agronomic grain production experience, proven knowledge of calibrations, implement set-up, planting and harvesting; including a strong background in implementing Agronomic field research with minimal supervision and proven Agronomic operation management and personnel management

#### Preferred -

• Ten (10) years Agronomic grain production experience; Three (3) years Agronomic field research; Three (3) years supervisory/personnel management

**Knowledge and Skills:** Full knowledge of farm implements and set-up for planting and harvesting. Understand methods of designing, measuring and layout of field experiments; adjust, calibrate and repair farm equipment used in an agronomic operation. Familiarity with: Precision Ag software and hardware; computer literate in MS Word and Excel, email, internet application. Effective communication skills; written and oral. Ability to read and understand nutrient management plans.

**Additional Certifications:** Required certifications: 1) Holding and maintaining a CDL license (or obtain within one year of employment); 2) Nutrient Management Certificate and Public Agency Applicator pesticide certification (or obtain within 18 months of employment).

#### **Additional Information:**

Ability to climb and endure extensive periods of walking and standing. Must be able to lift heavy items up to 50 lbs. Ability to wear and work in personal protective clothing/equipment. Ability to work in extreme weather conditions. Must be available for evening, weekend, and holiday work schedules.

#### Salary & Benefits:

Salary will be commensurate with experience, with base salary starting at \$57,600. The University of Maryland offers an extensive benefits package.

## **Applications:**

Electronic application is required and must be submitted through eTerp at: <a href="https://ejobs.umd.edu">https://ejobs.umd.edu</a> position number 103045. A complete application packet includes a cover letter, unofficial transcripts, and list of three (3) professional references, including name, mailing address, telephone number, and e-mail address.

Closing Date: For best consideration apply before September 11, 2020 or until a suitable candidate has been identified.

The University of Maryland is an Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action Employer.

Women and Minorities are Strongly Encouraged to Apply.