

# **Big Stone Soil and Water Conservation District**

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## **POSITION: Field Technician - Weed Treatment Specialist**

**POSITION LOCATION:** Ortonville, MN

**COMPENSATION:** \$11.00 - \$13.00 per hour – Depending on Qualifications

**Duration:** 3-6 months (May-August) depending on availability

### **Duties:**

- Research and gain extensive experience with plant ID, both native and non-native.
- Serve as educational resource for the general public regarding the primary invasive species within Big Stone County MN.
- Become Certified Pesticide Applicator. (All study is paid and study materials are provided upon hiring.)
- Survey and report locations and densities of specified weeds within the county.
- Treat invasive species within Big Stone County with herbicides as needed.
- Assist technicians with current projects, including but not limited to; RIM, CRP, riparian buffers, shelterbelt establishment, native grass seeding, ect.

### **MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Strong interpersonal communication skills both written and oral, capacity to work with a wide variety of people.
- Must be physically able and willing to work in varied terrain, weather conditions, extended hours, capable of lifting 50 lbs.
- Must have a valid driver's license.
- Willing to help organize workshops, give presentations, prepare reports, and develop educational materials and brochures.
- Farm, rural, agribusiness background preferred. Experience with machinery, tools, trucks, and equipment is helpful.
- Agronomy, Agricultural Business, Natural Resources, Wildlife, Biology, or related educational training desired.
- Ability to learn how to operate GIS, Arc Pad, or GPS devices, interpret plat maps, ect.
- Self motivated, able to work with minimal supervision.
- Completed one semester of plant identification or similar education/training preferred.
- Ability to maintain a high degree of professionalism in representing Big Stone SWCD to the general public.
- Ability to research and discuss current pest issues and present to the public and/or Board of Supervisors.
- Housing/rent reimbursement options are available for re-location pending board approval.

### **APPLICATION PROCEDURE:**

Go to [bigstoneswcd.org](http://bigstoneswcd.org) and complete the application.

Mail or Email [resume and completed application](#) to:

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