



Job Announcement

ACQUISITIONS SPECIALIST (1294)

\$88,702.60 - \$107,820.62 ANNUALLY

Summary

The Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation and Open Space District (Ag + Open Space) permanently protects the diverse agricultural, natural resource, and scenic open space lands of Sonoma County for future generations. We are currently recruiting for a full-time Acquisitions Specialist - a critical team member who will manage, oversee or lead land conservation projects of Ag + Open Space. This is an excellent opportunity to join a mission-driven organization with a passion for protecting lands that contribute to Sonoma County's scenic beauty, local agriculture, native habitats and recreational lands.

Duties

The Acquisitions Specialist will be part of a dynamic team developing and implementing land conservation through real estate transactions, primarily conservation easements, including appraisals, title work, due diligence, escrow and closing. Working with landowners the Acquisitions Specialist will negotiate transactions that benefit healthy communities, clean water and air, diverse habitats, sustainable agriculture, and climate resiliency throughout Sonoma County. In support of the Ag + Open Space land conservation mission, the Acquisitions Specialist will collaborate with and present to the public, with easement landowners, project partners, contractors, agency staff, and oversight bodies including the Ag + Open Space Board of Directors, Advisory Committee, and Fiscal Oversight Commission.

Requirements

Any combination of education and work experience that would provide an opportunity to acquire the knowledge and abilities listed herein. Normally, this would include a Bachelor's degree, or equivalent, with coursework in conservation planning, agriculture, ecology, geography, environmental science, resource management, landscape architecture, agribusiness or other related fields, and three years of experience involving increasingly responsible project management in land conservation, preferably in a governmental, non-profit land trust, land management, or similar organization. Significant coursework in and/or experience with conservation easement design and negotiation, graduate level study, and experience working as a project lead capacity are highly desirable.

Application Process

The job posting period is April 20 - May 18, 2022. All applications must be received by midnight May 18th. Interviews or selected candidates will be held June 21st and 24th via teleconference. Application instructions are provided on:

www.governmentjobs.com/careers/sonoma.

