

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

The Walker Basin Conservancy, a Nevada-based nonprofit organization, is seeking one full-time **Stewardship Technicians** to support the Conservancy's operations in Mason Valley and on the East Walker River.

POSITION TITLES: Stewardship Technician

STATUS: Full Time, June 2017-November 2017

REPORTS TO: Mason & Smith Stewardship Coordinator (1)

POSITIONS REPORTING TO THIS POSITION: NA

LOCATION: Yerington, NV

JOB PURPOSE: The Stewardship Technician will be responsible for supporting field operations of the Walker Basin Conservancy's (WBC) Land Stewardship Program. This position will work with the Stewardship Coordinator and other staff to implement and monitor stewardship projects and property management activities and is expected to spend a significant amount of time in the field.

A knowledge of and interest in agricultural systems, experience operating large equipment, prior experience with irrigation systems, and an ability to work independently are essential.

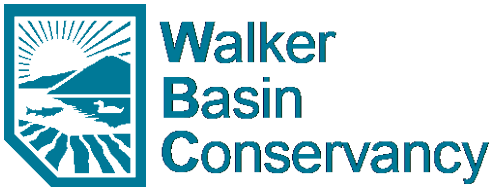
Primary Duties and Responsibilities

- Coordinate and assist with the day to day operations of conservation lands managed by WBC. Duties may include irrigation; control of vegetation and noxious weeds by fire, hand or mechanical removal; landscaping including mowing and raking; herbicide application; ground preparation; planting shrubs, grasses, and forbs from containerized stock and seed; light construction; and other tasks as necessary as part of the WBC's re-vegetation program on retired farmlands.
- Develop a deep working knowledge of all equipment, irrigation infrastructure, project partners, and vegetation management techniques used by the Land Stewardship Program.
- Ensure that field work including the use of heavy equipment and tools, and herbicide applications are conducted in a safe, efficient, and legal manner. Responsible for safely operating, maintaining and transporting a variety of small to heavy equipment (hand tools, power tools, tractors, mowers, trimmers, chainsaws, backhoe, water truck, and road grader).
- Per directions provided by WBC staff, employee may occasionally be asked to perform any or all of the above duties at other WBC managed properties within the Walker Basin.

QUALIFICATIONS

- 3+ years of experience in a natural resources or agricultural or landscaping setting
- General experience with and knowledge of irrigation equipment and operations





- Ability to safely operate large machinery and vehicles including tractors, ATVs, trucks, and trailers
- Ability to safely operate chainsaws, brush cutters, backpack sprayers, and other equipment
- Ability to keep detailed records, communicate with other staff and supervisors, and to work unsupervised to accomplish program tasks
- Clean driving record and a NV State driver's license, or ability to obtain within 1 month of hire.
- Ability to lift 50+ pounds and to work long hours in an outdoor setting

Salary & Benefits:

Starting pay \$12-\$14.50 per hour depending on experience. Benefits include a health, dental and vision care plan and generous paid leave and retirement plans.

Position will remain open until filled. Only top candidates will be contacted.

Please send cover letter and resume to:

Lee Davis

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Subject Line: Seasonal Stewardship Technician

Please call (775) 463-9887 ext. 108 with questions.

BACKGROUND: The Walker Basin Conservancy (WBC) was established in 2014 to support development and implementation of the Walker Basin Restoration Program (Program) (www.walkerbasin.org). The nascent and dynamic nature of the WBC and its diverse management obligations provide unique opportunities to develop operations from the ground level up, working closely with staff who are passionate about their mission.

The WBC was initially established to assist with land and water stewardship activities on properties associated with the Program's mission. The WBC currently manages thousands of acres of land and assets in the Walker Basin. Land planning activities are underway on all of these properties. Planning efforts focus on assessing public use opportunities, conservation values, long term land ownership and stewardship, and active and passive revegetation and restoration activities.

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