

CHEYENNE RIVER SIOUX TRIBE
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES
PESTICIDE CIRCUIT RIDER

DESCRIPTION OF WORK

General Statement of Duties: Enforcement of the CRST Pesticide Code, monitoring the use of the restricted and general use pesticides by private and commercial applicator on the Cheyenne River Sioux Indian Reservations.

Supervision Received: Works under the direct supervision of the DENR Director.

Supervision Exercised: None unless delegated by the DENR Director.

EXAMPLE OF DUTIES: (Duties may include but are not limited to, the following):

Establish protocol with the selected Tribal Governments who will participate in the Circuit Rider program.

Collect initial, preliminary data and prepare reports to each respective Tribal Government to the frequency of pesticide use on their reservation, provide information and documentation to EPA and tribal governments.

Conduct outreach to Tribes, Environmental Directors, growers and applicators, as appropriate on: Endangered species, workers protection standards, water quality mosquito control.

Work with EPA to develop and initiate a federal Private Pesticide Applicator Program on Pilot Reservation.

Attend training at EPA region 8 Office on Worker Protection Standards, Endangered Species and water quality and accompany EPA Region 8 Enforcement staff on field inspections.

Agricultural and non-agricultural follow ups and complaints with documentation on Quarterly reports to EPA.

Surveillance activities; use investigations of private and commercial applicators, aerial agricultural applications, ground agricultural applications, structural applications for insects, marketplace inspections, dealer, record audits, that use or sell general or restricted use pesticides.

Attends inspector training workshops for Pesticide Enforcement, Ground Water Protection and Worker protection.

Maintain enforcement case files, referral case records, tribally certified private and commercial applicator files, etc.

Assists county Extension Agent with Private Applicator certification workshops, monitors the workshops and Home Study certification procedures.

Issues Tribal certification credentials to applicators who meet the requirements describes in the Tribal Certification Plan.

Prepares reports as required.

Conducts field activities on the wells on the Reservation and enter into the CRST DENR data base. This could potentially involve extensive ground water monitoring per an adopted plan by the Tribe.

Work with Reservation schools to develop and adopt an Integrated Pest Management Plan (IPM) for schools. Including alternative methods of pest control.

Work with other Tribes to help develop the Tribal Pesticide Programs, give technical advice and provide training to their Inspector. Such as ride along inspections.

Develop a replicable model for Tribal Pesticide Programs to be implemented in Indian Country. Including the drafting and enforcement of Tribal Codes.

Develop and implement a plan for improved environmentally safe methods of pesticide application.

Collection of old and unused pesticides to be stored. This includes the development of a Form and handling and disposal procedures to be utilized by the DENR.

Must be able to attend trainings as required.

Must be able to obtain Pesticide Applicator Certification (private and commercial).

Must obtain and maintain FIFRA Federal Credentials.

Required Knowledge, Skills and Abilities: Knowledge of general and restricted use pesticides. Ability to follow verbal and written instructions. Ability to effectively communicate verbally and in writing. Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with the public, other departments and State and Federal agencies. Must be dependable, able to meet deadlines and adhere to confidentiality at all times. Must be willing to travel, work some evenings and attend training and conferences as required.

Education: Must have a high school diploma or GED.

Experience: Applicant with background in agriculture and/or college experience preferred.

Special Requirements: Must have own transportation, possess a valid South Dakota driver's license and be insurable under Tribal insurance. Incumbent is subject to CRST Drug and Alcohol Testing Policy, also subject to Tribal/local, Federal, and State background checks.

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