



Position: Agricultural Technician in Rice (with a focus on weed and pest management)

Position percentage: 75% variable (30 hours per week guaranteed, and if funding allows, the position will work up to 40 hours per week)

Start Date: Variable

Office and program location: Yuba City, CA (with travel to field sites as necessary)

Hours: General hours 8am to 5pm, plus evenings and weekends are required, as needed.

Position summary:

Under supervision, sets up and maintains equipment. Assists in the design, set up and maintenance of plots. Prepares samples for analysis. Provides analysis data to supervisor in a variety of reports. Creates spreadsheets, reports and newsletters for research data using MS Office Word and Excel programs. Maintain laboratory equipment and supplies records.

More specific tasks:

- set up experimental plots in fields
- conduct pesticide applications, evaluations, samplings, and monitoring, under supervision or independently
- data entry, summary, and preliminary analysis
- aid in the organization and planning of outreach activities
- maintain detailed record of activities
- process plant, soil, and insect samples in the lab
- participate in maintaining social media accounts
- develop methods to conduct field and laboratory work efficiently

Requirements: Background (degree or experience) in plant science, biology, or agriculture preferred.

Please contact Whitney Brim-DeForest, Rice Advisor in Sutter-Yuba Counties, if interested in the position, at wbrimdeforest@ucanr.edu