



Soil Conservationist

The **Grant County's Conservation, Sanitation, and Zoning Department** is recruiting for a Soil Conservationist. This position will implement soil and water conservation programs and policies, including but not limited to the Farmland preservation Program, Agricultural Enterprise Areas, Nutrient Management Planning and NR151. They will provide planning, technical assistance and outreach related to conservation practices, with priorities guided by the County's Land & Water Resource Management Plan. This position is also responsible to assist the active Farmer Let Watershed Councils of the County.

Minimum Qualifications

Education:

1. Graduation from high school or high school equivalency
2. Associate degree in Soil Science, Agronomy, Natural Resources, Soil and Water Conservation or closely related field
3. Bachelor's degree preferred

Experience:

1. Two years of experience in land conservation principles & practices including environmental protection, agricultural practices and POWTS inspection
2. Experience or training in personal computer use with word processing, spreadsheet, SNAP Plus, NRCS Tool Kit, RUSLE 2, engineering CAD software and Geospatial Information Systems (GIS)

Other:

1. Possession of a valid driver's license
2. Certification as an USDA-NRCS Certified Conservation Planner within 3 years of hire.
3. Certification in one of the following areas: Certified Crop Advisor (CCA) certification from the American Society of Agronomy (ASA); Certified Professional Agronomist (CPAg) certification from the ASA; Certified Professional Crop Scientist (CPCSc) certification from the ASA; Certified Professional Soil Scientist (CPSS) certification from the ASA; or Crop Certification through the National Alliance of Independent Crop Consultants (NAICC) preferred.
4. Registration as a Private Onsite Wastewater Treatment System (POWTS) Inspector and Certified Soil Tester by the State of Wisconsin within 2-years of employment. (First exams paid by Grant County. Retake exams are at employee expense.)

Note: Equivalent combinations of job-related education and experience may be considered

How to Apply: A [Grant County application for employment](#) and job description may be obtained at www.co.grant.wi.gov or by contacting the Grant County Personnel Department (608)723-2540. Letter of interest, resume, and Grant County Application are required and will be accepted at the following location.

Grant County Personnel

111 S. Jefferson St. - PO Box 529, Lancaster WI 53813

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