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Entomologist-Extension Educator

Mission: The Plymouth County Entomology and Tick program serves as a resource for accurate, unbiased information on plant, public health and pest management for municipal agencies as well as for agricultural producers, members of the Green Industries and the public. Trained volunteers will assist in the delivery of educational programs to the public.

Position:

This is a professional Extension Educator position working with other Extension professionals. The successful candidate will direct, manage and teach the entomological components of the Plymouth County/UMass Extension Program to address the diverse and dynamic needs of the public in Plymouth County, landscape professionals, nursery growers and others. This candidate will serve as the primary rapid responder on entomological outbreaks and issues primarily in Plymouth County and coordinate with other specialists in this expertise. Advise and consult with the industry clientele and the public seeking researched based information. Provide oversight and leadership for the development of program materials for countywide use including guides, press releases, articles, web and social media content and fact sheets. A large portion of this position will focus on tick management issues, awareness and prevention of tick borne illness.

Requirements:

- Bachelors in Entomology or related field and 2 years' experience
- Knowledge of plants, and pest management preferable those in the Northeast
- Ability to use electronic media for education and outreach
- Ability to maintain a diverse schedule of local and regional activities.
- Ability to engage in field based projects as needed.
- Demonstrated ability to seek and obtain external funding or develop revenue generating projects and to manage and complete funded projects.
- Identify insects and provide clients with recommendations and management practices.
- Excellent interpersonal and group process skills and ability to participate effectively in a professional team with diverse groups of people.
- Demonstrated ability to implement effective educational programs with diverse audiences.
- Ability to obtain MA pesticide license or certification within 6 months of hire.
- Ability to obtain a Massachusetts driver's license.
- Work closely with Plymouth County Tick Task Force and other advisory boards as necessary
- Some night and weekend work is required

Preferred Qualifications:

- MS or Doctoral degree in entomology or related specialization and 3 years' professional experience.

- Working knowledge of Extension programming
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills

Full Time Non- Union Position

Salary to commence with experience

This positions hiring is subject to budget funding approval.

This posting will close at 5 PM June 8, 2017. Resumes should be submitted with a cover letter to Tammy Correa, HR Administrator, tcorrea@plymouthcountyma.gov or delivered to the Plymouth County Commissioners' Office, 44 Obery Street, Plymouth MA 02360. Initial interviews will occur the week of June 12 with final interviews the week of June 26. Additional information can be downloaded from our web page <http://www.plymouthcountyma.gov/announcements.htm>

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