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Summer Agricultural Research Technicians
Full Time from April 29, 2024 – August 30, 2024
(Opportunity to learn about Regenerative Agriculture Practices)
Location: Fairview Research Farm, Fairview, AB

The Peace Country Beef & Forage Association (PCBFA) is a charitable, producer-run organization that strives to provide leading edge, credible, and locally viable information to Peace Country producers, through our applied research and extension programs. Our vision is to create agricultural systems that are profitable, regenerative, self-sustaining, and self-maintaining. We bring together a network of innovative producers to discuss ideas and develop profitable and sustainable ways to produce forages and livestock.

- 1. We are looking for ambitious and hard-working Summer Agriculture Research Technicians to be part of our PCBFA team. Someone who has a genuine interest in the agriculture industry, how regenerative agriculture is building farmers' resilience and even better ag research!
- 2. We are also seeking a Technician with experience in operating and troubleshooting a variety of equipment, including the ability to perform minor repairs.

As a Summer Agriculture Research Technician, you will work closely with our Lead Research Program Technician. You will gain hands-on experience in all aspects of the applied research process – from field design and planning, to set up and implementation of research projects, and collecting, compiling and analyzing data.

If you enjoy time outdoors, a fast-paced work environment, and doing something different every day, then this is the job for you! You will assist with sorting and weighing seed and samples, plot layout, seeding, mowing, spraying, harvesting, plot maintenance, soil sampling, data collection, and taking field notes and observations.

You may also provide support in the planning, coordination, and implementation of tours, workshops, and field days put on by PCBFA for local farmers and agronomists, and get to listen to some great speakers! A smaller portion of your time may be spent in the office helping with the writing, preparation, and mailing of extension articles and publications, as well as the compiling, analyzing, and reporting of project data generated from research projects.

Qualifications: Must have valid driver's license, strong communication and teamwork skills, be detail oriented, capable of physical work outdoors in variable weather conditions, and able to work flexible and extended hours as required as this is a research farm. Any experience related to farming operations is an asset. Please indicate if you have experience with any of the following: loading/hauling trailers, operating tractors, combines, ATVs, or any other machinery.

Wage is negotiable depending on experience. Start and end dates are flexible. Assistance with affordable housing options may be available. If you're interested, please send a cover letter and resume to manager@pcbfa.ca.

Application Deadline: February 28th, 2022*