

GRAZING TECHNICIAN Tompkins County

Department: Tompkins County Soil and Water Conservation Dist.

Classification: Competitive

Labor Grade: 11

Approved: 0

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: EITHER:

(a) Graduation from a regionally accredited or New York State registered college or university with a bachelor's degree in agronomy, agricultural economics, natural resource conservation, or a closely related field and one year of professional or technical agricultural and/or natural resources planning experience; **OR**

(b) Graduation from a regionally accredited or New York State registered two-year college with an associate's degree in agronomy, agricultural economics, natural resource conservation, or a closely related field **AND** three years of professional or technical agricultural and/or natural resources planning experience; **OR**

(c) An equivalent combination of training and experience as described in (a) and (b) above.

Tompkins County is Committed to Equity and Inclusion. We encourage those with similar values to apply.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT: A valid New York State driver's license is required at the time of appointment and must be maintained throughout the life of employment.

NOTE: The employee must provide protective wear as may be required, such as rain gear and steel-toed boots.

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS:

This position provides professional services in the planning and application of soil, water, and resource conservation and development activities involving predominantly pasture and hayland enterprises. The incumbent serves as a pasture specialist in support of professional rotational grazing management for a multicounty region. The employee works with individuals to install site-specific sustainable grazing systems and uses experience and innovative technologies to interpret, recommend, and consult regarding sound grazing management. Operations may require basic feed-balancing skills with a rotational grazing plan. Field work involves exposure to livestock and farm equipment.