

# Job Opening: Technical Service Provider - Grazing and Agroforestry

The Savanna Institute invites applications for a Technical Service Provider - Grazing and Agroforestry, to help Wisconsin Farmers with grazing plans and adopting silvopasture practices. We seek applicants who share our passion for ecological and equitable agriculture as a nature-based climate solution and who are motivated to widen the circle of who has the opportunity to inform, support, and benefit from its development. To that end, we are seeking a diversity of voices at the table and strongly encourage people of color, women, LGBTQIA+ individuals, people with disabilities, members of ethnic minorities, foreign-born residents, and veterans to apply.

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### **Organization Description**

The Savanna Institute is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization based in Madison, Wisconsin and Urbana, Illinois. Established in 2013, we work in collaboration with farmers, scientists, and other stakeholders to develop perennial food and fodder crops within multifunctional systems grounded in ecology and inspired by the savanna biome. Our work aims to lay the groundwork for widespread agroforestry in the Midwest US via strategic research and education. For more information, please visit <u>savannainstitute.org</u>.

How To Apply Submit a resume/CV and cover letter to jobs@savannainstitute.org

Deadline All applications must be received by 11:59 pm CT on April 24th, 2023.

**Questions?** Email Kathleen Fitzgibbon, Operations Manager, *kathleen@savannainstitute.org*.

# **Diversity Commitment**

The Savanna Institute affirms the value of diversity of staff and stakeholders, and aims to foster inclusive environments and equitable outcomes of our work. We seek individuals who are committed to these goals.

# **Equal Employment Opportunity**

Equal Opportunity is and shall be provided for all employees and applicants for employment on the basis of their demonstrated ability and competence without unlawful discrimination on the basis of their race, color, national origin, ancestry, religion, sex, pregnancy, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, age, disability, veteran status, or any other status protected by applicable state or federal law.







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This position will lead the efforts in southern Wisconsin to increase landowners' engagement in Farm Bill programs and improve the ability of local and state agencies, as well as Tribal Nations, to deliver agroforestry technical support with an emphasis on grazing and silvopasture. This position will work closely with other members of our Agroforestry Adoption team.

#### **Job Description**

Hours: Full-timeStart Date: May 2023Location: WisconsinSalary: \$57,000 - \$62,000

- This position is eligible for the Institute's benefits package. Benefits for full-time employees include 30 days paid time off per year, a Health Reimbursement arrangement that can be applied to insurance premiums and approved healthcare costs, and a monthly home office stipend.
- This position will report to the TSP Team Manager
- This position will require travel using a personal vehicle with mileage reimbursement

## **Duties/Responsibilities**

- Consult with farmers & landowners to develop plans for agroforestry practices based on their goals, with a focus on farmers interested in incorporating trees into grazing systems
- Write grazing plans and design subsequent silvopasture systems that reflect best practices and desired outcomes
- Assist farmers with accessing Farm Bill programs for technical and financial assistance for grazing and agroforestry
- Assist in implementing and reporting on USDA-funded grant agreements as well as coordinate program evaluation and development
- Assist with development of educational resources and present at workshops and other SI events on agroforestry, grazing, and silvopasture
- Other duties as assigned to provide robust grazing knowledge as part of the Agroforestry Adoption Team as a Technical Service Provider

## **Required Qualifications**

- Experience in grazing, forestry, or other related agricultural practices
- Strong interpersonal communication skills
- Experience with GIS or equivalent tools
- Commitment to participating in a collaborative environment
- Experience working with a high degree of autonomy and accountability
- Experience with Farm Bill programs or other programs that provide technical and financial support
- Bachelor's degree or equivalent business or nonprofit experience in an agriculture or environmental field
- Valid driver's license and reliable transportation for work-related travel

### **Preferred Qualifications**

- Experience with rotational grazing and the application of agroforestry in grazing systems (silvopasture)
- Experience with client management
- Experience with livestock management