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Horticultural Technician – Northwoods Nursery

Located in south Clackamas County, Oregon, Northwoods Nursery has been growing unique and unusual fruiting plants for over 40 years. Our professional staff is dedicated to producing high quality nursery stock in an ecologically sound manner.

Our primary focus is providing regionally adapted varieties for the home garden. We also have an extensive research program underway, evaluating numerous fruit crops for introduction into the local home garden market.

Job responsibilities:

Greenhouse Production:

- assist with care and maintenance of nursery stock, including pest and disease monitoring and control.
- assist production team with other tasks as needed

Propagation:

- assist in pruning mother trees for cutting and scionwood production
- collect and prepare scionwood for propagation
- maintain and monitor scionwood quality in cold storage
- assist propagation team with other tasks as needed

Inventory:

- assist with maintaining up-to-date inventory of field grown plants
- maintain accurate maps of field grown plants
- assist in printing and maintaining accurate labels for field grown plants

Watering:

- monitor water status of field grown plants
- assist with maintenance of irrigation systems & setting watering schedules
- assist irrigation crew, as needed

Evaluating new fruit crops:

- observe and collect data from seedlings in our breeding projects
- observe and collect data from plants in our variety trials

To qualify for this position, you should have the following:

1. Minimum of AA or B.S. in horticulture or related field.
2. Research experience in horticulture or agriculture.
3. Work experience in horticulture or agriculture.
4. Good verbal and written communication skills.

Other desirable qualities include:

5. Ability to communicate in Spanish.
6. Willingness and desire to accept new ideas and learn new skills and growing techniques.

7. Ability to use IT and other technologies to communicate and deliver information.
8. Residence within 30 minutes of the nursery. Commuting from Portland has not proven successful.