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## Job Description for the Field Environmental Monitor – Harlingen, Texas

## **General Description**

The Field Environmental Monitor (FEM) will be an independent contractor providing seasonal biological monitoring support for a vegetation replacement project within the Lower Rio Grande Flood Control Project area in Cameron County, Texas for the duration of the vegetation replacement field activity. The FEM will monitor vegetation replacement contractor activities to ensure compliance with environmental regulations including the Endangered Species Act, Migratory Bird Treaty Act, project-specific environmental obligations, resource agency coordination, and a US Fish and Wildlife Service-approved Vegetation Management Plan.

Salary: \$40/hour Start Date: 10 May 2021 Last Day to Apply: 3 May 2021 Approximate Duration: 3 months

## **Specific Responsibilities**

- The FEM will coordinate daily work schedules with the Vernadero Project Manager and the Vegetation Replacement Contractor. Daily work hours will typically be 8 AM to 6 PM, local time, Monday through Friday.
- The FEM will be onsite during all vegetation removal and/or revegetation activities and participate in all Vegetation Replacement Contractor on-site personnel and/or safety meetings.
- The FEM will document noncompliance by collecting GPS points, polygons, and photographs and report issues to the Vegetation Replacement Contractor.
- The FEM will assist in the preparation of Daily, Weekly, and Monthly Compliance Reports.
- The FEM will be responsible for his/her transportation to and from the project area daily and for his/her housing and/or lodging.

## **Minimum Qualifications**

 Bachelor's degree (or higher) from an accredited college or university in biology, environmental science, or related physical science field that includes at least 30 semester hours in biological sciences, natural resource management, wildlife biology, conservation biology, physical anthropology, or restoration ecology.

- Minimum of three years of field experience performing biological monitoring of vegetation removal/revegetation and/or construction projects and project crew environmental training/coordination. Experience must be directly related to environmental considerations and wildlife monitoring in ground disturbing/construction projects.
- Positive references from industry or government for previous monitoring duties must be provided.
- Familiarly with the project area or similar environs and knowledge of habitat and wildlife species (common, special status, endangered, threatened, etc.) near the project area.
- Possess a smartphone and/or smart tablet and be capable of completing digital datasheets and using Collector for ArcGIS.
- Ability to pass a background check and obtain government security clearance.
- US citizenship
- Valid US driver's license.