



THE UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA
COOPERATIVE EXTENSION
Colleges of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences & Family and Consumer Sciences
POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

Title: Public Service Representative/Assistant, Region 4 EPA-CSREES Liaison

This is a 12-month non-tenure track faculty position with a 100% extension appointment. The position is home based at the University of Georgia Campus in Athens, Georgia and is a grant funded position affiliated with the Southern Region Water Quality Program. Initial funding is provided for a period of two years.

Salary & Benefits: \$36,000 minimum for Masters degree in appropriate subject area. Salary negotiated based on qualifications. An excellent benefits package is available as a faculty member of the University of Georgia.

Qualifications: Advanced degree in a field related to environmental or agricultural sciences strongly preferred. Bachelor's degree with significant experience in water resource management or working with public policy will be considered. Successful experience in educational program development and management, demonstrated communications, leadership and management skills desired. Ability to work as a team member and with groups and committees is essential. This position requires significant time out of the office including regular visits to EPA Region 4 headquarters in Atlanta and frequent travel to other institutions in Region 4. In addition, attendance at regional and national meetings will involve some weekend work.

Major Responsibilities: The incumbent is expected to serve as an Extension Liaison to EPA Region 4 to coordinate policies and activities between EPA and the 1862 and 1890 land grant universities in the 8 participating states in carrying out provisions of all relevant environmental legislation and programs of EPA. In doing this, the Liaison will work across all EPA Region 4 Divisions to maximize communication linkages between EPA and the eight participating States. The liaison will assist Extension administrators, water quality coordinators, specialists and agents with the development, implementation and evaluation of environmental policy and programs with consideration of EPA goals and work with Extension clientele to understand and accept their role in environmental policy. The liaison will also facilitate mutually beneficial environmental education programs to meet regional EPA and State needs and develop coordination mechanisms between the states and EPA Region 4 to facilitate timely and appropriate interaction on programs and projects of mutual interest. Other responsibilities include:

- Assist in strengthening partnerships among agencies and clientele organizations and assist EPA in formation and analysis of policy by providing access to university specialists and academicians in appropriate areas.
- Identify and assist land grant Universities in procuring extramural funding for environmental research and education.
- Assist EPA Region 4 Strategic Agriculture and State Project Coordinators with establishing partnership networks with land grant Universities. Provide linkage to those possessing expertise and technical ability to assist in the development and implementation of integrated education and outreach activities and strategies for agriculture and environmental quality, involving EPA Region 4 wetlands, pesticides, groundwater, surface water, drinking water, nonpoint source, and air quality programs.
- Travel to each state at least once per year to meet with water quality coordinators and other faculty/staff, Directors, and administration, as appropriate, to facilitate program development and information exchange. Participate in CSREES Southern Region planning meetings and related program activities, as appropriate.
- Represent CSREES's Southern Region to the National Water Quality Committee for Shared Leadership by actively participating in the Liaison Subcommittee.

Administrative Relationships: Is a UGA Public Service Faculty Member under the direction and leadership of the Association Dean of Extension and working cooperatively with the Georgia water quality coordinator. Will be assigned by detail to EPA Region 4 under the Intergovernmental Personnel Act mobility program.

Application Procedures: Applicants should submit a letter of application, curriculum vitae, college transcripts and four references to: Dr. Mark Risse, Department of Biological and Agricultural Engineering, the University of Georgia, Athens, GA 30602, voice: 706-542-9067, fax: 706-542-1886, e-mail: mrise@engr.uga.edu. To ensure consideration, your application must be received by **December 3, 2007**. Apply online at – <http://apps.caes.uga.edu/caesjobs/caesext.cfm>