PUBLIC SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE/ASSISTANT: LANDSCAPE WATER MANAGEMENT

POSITION: This is a 12-month non-tenure track faculty position with 80% extension and 20% research appointment in the Department of Biological and Agricultural Engineering, The University of Georgia. The position is home based at the University of Georgia Campus in Griffin, Georgia (http://www.caes.uga.edu/campus/griffin/) and is supported by grant funding from the Pollution Prevention Assistance Division (P2AD) of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources (see www.p2ad.org).

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES: This position will be responsible for implementing an extension/applied research program in conjunction with the Agricultural Pollution Prevention Program (www.agp2.org) and will specifically address landscape water management and green industry pollution prevention. Some specific tasks associated with this program include:

- Work with AgP2 program staff and P2AD to develop and implement pollution prevention programs for the green industry including nurseries and greenhouses, turf producers, home owners, landscape installers and maintenance providers.
- In coordination with other stakeholders including the Center for Urban Agriculture, develop educational programs on water conservation, stormwater management, and erosion and sediment control.
- Provide technical assistance to green industry professionals, city and county government officials, county extension faculty, and other interested clientele on landscape water management and support the Partnership for a Sustainable Georgia AgTrack program of the AgP2 team.

In addition, this position would work closely with the AgP2 team on other projects and conduct applied research in a related field.

BASIC QUALIFICATIONS: A Ph.D. or MS with considerable experience in one of the major disciplines related to agricultural and environmental sciences or a closely related field is required with training and background in soil science, basic hydrology, and basic knowledge of agricultural systems. Experience with extension or implementation of educational programs is desirable. Candidates should have demonstrated skills in verbal and written communication, interpersonal relationships, and an ability to work well with the public and with an interdisciplinary team of Extension specialists.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Applications received by November 15, 2008 are assured of consideration.

APPLICATION: Applicants should submit a letter of application, curriculum vitae, college transcripts and names of 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: mrisse@engr.uga.edu.

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