The North Shore AgroEcology Center is hiring a new Farm Manager!

Application Deadline: April 10, 2021
Planned Start Date: May 1st. (Flexible)
Job Description: Farm & Project Manager

About the North Shore AgroEcology Center

The North Shore AgroEcology Center is being developed as a showcase of Regenerative Agriculture for the Minnesota north woods by the Organic Consumers Association (Regeneration International). Regenerative Agriculture is an approach to agriculture that restores degraded soils, sequesters carbon, enhances ecological diversity and improves the economic livelihood of farmers.

The North Shore AgroEcology Center bears the mission of education, research and demonstration of Regenerative Agriculture principles and practices, specifically adapted to the mixed conifer/hardwood forest found in this region. The goal is to assist & encourage landowners who wish to produce food using regenerative practices, to educate consumers, and to provide healthy, nutrient-rich produce for the local residents and tourists through on-site production and coordinating regional production efforts.

Position Description

The new farm manager will work alongside the outgoing farm manager over the course of the 2021 season. (The out-going Farm Manager will work approximately 15-20 hrs/week.) The Farm Manager is responsible for ongoing regenerative farm development, diversification and production.

After 4 years focused on site development, the AgroEcology Center is looking to move into the next phase of its growth, via developing and organizing educational courses (ie, workshops, classes, tours, etc.) The Farm Manager may teach some of the courses themselves, or coordinate with other instructors (both locally and regionally).

During the growing season, the Farm Manager oversees a small crew of seasonal interns, apprentices and/or WWOOFers.

Throughout the year, the Farm Manager continues to build connections and networks with other cold climate regenerative farms, and also works with Regeneration International staff to develop/manage website, social media presence, research articles, media campaigns, etc. (Primarily during the off-season.)
Qualifications Desired:
- 2 yrs + experience studying/working with regenerative agriculture & permaculture systems,
- Experience managing small work groups of people (ie, team leader, volunteer manager, crew lead, etc.)
- Excellent communication skills, both written and verbal: in person, over the phone, email, text.
- Strong organizational skills and proclivity for keeping records.
- Self-starter who can work well independently.
- Familiarity with outdoor labor. In a sometimes harsh environment.
- Ability to work effectively with others in a team-oriented environment.
- Ability to quickly assess a situation and make necessary decisions; skilled in creative problem-solving.
- Ability to prioritize tasks and manage workload.
- Reliable private vehicle for occasional travel/resource runs.

Compensation:
$16/hr with shared housing provided, $18.50/hr without housing
Monthly Health Stipend
Paid Holidays, PTO

Start Date:
Flexible. Ideally by May 1st, 2021

To Apply:
Send Cover Letter & Resume (with 2 references) to stefanmeyer@organicconsumers.org

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