# San Joaquin County is recruiting for:

# DEPUTY AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER



### THE POSITION

The Deputy Agricultural Commissioner may supervise agricultural enforcement programs in a branch office or a specialized county-wide enforcement program.

San Joaquin County's Agricultural Commissioner's Office consists of 40 full-time employees and approximately 20 part-time employees who are located at one of the three office locations. The main office is located in Stockton with two satellite offices located in Lodi and Ripon (Simms Station).

## MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

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# Either I

**Education:** Graduation from an accredited four-year college or university with a major in agriculture or a biological science.

**Experience:** Five years in certificated agricultural inspection and enforcement work.



**Experience**: Two years as a Senior Agricultural Inspector with San Joaquin County.

#### And

<u>Licenses & Certificates</u>: Possession of a valid license as a Deputy County Agricultural Commissioner as issued by the California Department of Food and Agriculture; and possession of a valid California driver's license are required.



#### THE DEPARTMENT

The Agricultural Commissioner's Office enforces the provisions of the California Food and Agricultural Code for the protection of the public's health, safety and welfare, and promotes and protects the agricultural industry. The Agricultural Commissioner's Office consists of two separate divisions: Agricultural Commissioner and Weights and Measures. The Agricultural Commissioner's Division enforces pesticide use and worker safety regulations and quarantine regulations; and performs pest detection, pest management and pest eradication activities.

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A land of beauty, recreation and natural riches-from the waters of the Delta to the vines of the wine, San Joaquin County has it all.

San Joaquin County boasts seven cities and some of the finest opportunities in the state for boating, fishing, camping, historygathering, or just plain fun in the sun.

Each city, as well as the unincorporated county areas, offers a unique opportunity to enjoy natural California beauty and nature, or music, arts and culture. Whatever your interest, it can most likely be found in San Joaquin County.

## ARTS, CULTURE, AND RECREATION

The arts and culture provide a much-needed respite from everyday worries and the Haggin Museum, San Joaquin County Historical Museum, and Stockton Children's Museum are popular spots.

The Stockton Symphony, San Joaquin County Ballet, and Stockton Civic Theater provide important experiences for children and adults. The multi-cultural community offers a diversity of views and opinions in its art and culture, providing a wealth of knowledge about past and present on canvas and stage.

Over 75 languages are spoken within the region and there is richness in the blending of cultures and ways that creates an air of celebration about individual customs, foods and cultures.

San Joaquin County government provides nine community parks for boating, camping, and picnicking, swimming and organized sports.

Individual cities and communities provide a host of other opportunities, from Lodi Lake Park and Nature Area to the Woodbridge Ecological Reserve. The County-owned and operated Micke Grove Park offers a zoo, rides and an historical museum to delight both children and adults. The San Joaquin Delta is one of the area's best kept secrets and offers some of the best boating in the state: more than 1,000 miles of waterways stretching from the Stockton Harbor to north of Sacramento and offering access to the San Francisco Bay.



#### **AGRICULTURE**

The county is one of the most agriculturally rich regions in California and is the number one producer, statewide, of asparagus. Six thousand acres of county farmland is dedicated to production of this crop. In recent years, the leading crop in the county has been wine grapes, and wineries and vineyards have sprung up from Stockton to Lodi.



# **EDUCATION**

From preschool to higher education, the County has it covered with an abundant array of public or private opportunities to learn and grow. The University of the Pacific, California State University, Stanislaus - Stockton Center, Humphreys College and Law School, National

University and the San Joaquin Delta Community College offer a wide variety of choices for educational opportunities. The county's 17 school



districts provide families with a wide choice for children's educational development.

Housing is plentiful in San Joaquin County and is affordable when compared to other nearby areas.

Make San Joaquin County your new home. Housing ranges from new developments to historic homes found mostly in central Stockton and downtown Lodi.

San Joaquin County is a place where families can grow, learn, and experience the nature and beauty of the California landscape while benefiting from the unique opportunities - cultural, recreational, and educational - that the area provides.



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#### **COMPENSATION PACKAGE**

# Monthly Salary: \$5,919—\$7,198

In addition to the base salary, the County offers an excellent benefit plan which includes a county contribution to health insurance, dental and vision insurance plans. Other benefits offered by the County include:

- A 1% employer contribution to the County's 457
   Deferred Compensation Plan
- 1937 Retirement Act plan with reciprocity with CALPERS
- 125 Flex Benefits Plan
- 12 days sick leave annually with unlimited accumulation
- 10 days of vacation leave (15 days after 3 years,
   20 days after 10 years and 23 days after 20 years)
- 14 holidays per year

### **APPLICATION AND SELECTION**

Completed application package must include supplemental application and is to be submitted to the Human Resources Division.

Final Filing Date: September 26, 2014

Apply online at <a href="https://www.sigov.org/hr">www.sigov.org/hr</a>

Applications may be submitted to:

San Joaquin County Human Resources
Attn: Marie Sneed
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Stockton, CA 95202

Tel: 209.468.3370 Fax: 209.468.0508

All applications will be reviewed for qualifications. If warranted by the number of applications received, those meeting the minimum requirements will be invited to participate in an oral examination interview, with top scoring candidates being referred to the Agricultural Commissioner's Office for selection processes.

#### TYPICAL DUTIES

- Plans, assigns, trains, supervises, reviews and evaluates the work of subordinate inspectors and clerical staff assigned to a branch office or to a specialized department program; insures adequate staffing levels; reports to the Assistant Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer on office or program activities.
- Assists in developing and implementing departmental policies and procedures; plans and implements changes to improve operational efficiency.
- Interprets federal, state, and county agricultural laws for subordinates; insures that inspectors are informed of changes in laws or enforcement practices.
- Participates in agricultural inspection and enforcement work; resolves the most difficult inspection or enforcement problems.
- Serves as department representative at meetings, hearings or other professional functions.
- Prepares correspondence and reports related to office, program, or department activities.

For a complete Job Description, please go to <u>www.sjgov.org/hr</u>





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# SUPPLEMENTAL QUESTIONS

Please submit responses to the following questions along with your employment application to the San Joaquin County Human Resources Division. When answering the questions below related to your experience, please provide a detailed description that includes **the name of your employer, your dates of employment, and your job title.** These questions will be reviewed in evaluating your qualifications.

- 1. Do you possess a valid license as a Deputy County Agricultural Commissioner as issued by the California Department of Food and Agriculture?
  - 1a. If <u>yes</u>, please provide you're the license number and expiration date. (<u>Note</u>: A copy of your license must be submitted with your application.)
- 2. Do you possess a valid California driver's license?
  - 2a. If yes, please provide your CDL number and expiration date.
- 3. Do you possess two years of experience as a Senior Agricultural Inspector (Senior Agricultural Biologist) with San Joaquin County?
  - 3a. If yes, please provide dates of employment.

### Only complete the following questions if you answered no to question #3.

- 4. Did you graduate with a Bachelor's Degree from an accredited college or university with a major in agriculture or a biological science.
  - 4a. Please list the degree achieved and in what major, and the college or university you attended.
- 5. Provide a general overview of your experience in certificated agricultural inspection and enforcement work.