

CLASSIFICATION SPECIFICATION

FLSA:	NEXP	Job Code:	ACV37004
Job Class Code:	030	Salary Schedule:	ASRRAGRIC
EEO Category:	03	Grade:	15
Workers Comp Code:	7720		

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JOB CODE SERIES: Consumer Protection and Environmental Control Series

JOB CODE TITLE: AGRICULTURE INSPECTOR II

HRIS TITLE: AGRIC INSPR II

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE CLASS: Works under general supervision from a higher level lead or supervisor. Has the authority to assist in training new employees as required; inspect and detect harmful insects and diseases and recommend and assist in applying controls; issues citations as authorized. Performs a variety of difficult agriculture and horticulture inspections; identifies harmful insects and diseases of plants; assists in applying controls and eradication programs and enforcement of laws; issues certificates or permits; may assist in training new employees. Work product consists of Inspections completed; reports prepared and submitted; training assignments completed; harmful insects and diseases of plants identified and controls applied; positive image established and maintained with the public. Responsible for conducting inspections in a timely, efficient and accurate manner; properly identifying harmful insects and diseases and assisting in applying timely and proper controls; developing and maintaining a positive image and relationship with the public and agricultural community.

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES: Inspects private vehicles at ports-of-entry for illegal, diseased or insect-infested plants or produce; approves or rejects and holds produce for further analysis and/or destruction. At ports-of-entry explains agency laws, rules and regulations to the public bringing plants and/or produce into the state. At ports-of-entry, inspects commercial vehicles transporting nursery stock or produce for illegal, diseased, or insect-infested products; identifies products and determines need for treatment; applies appropriate chemicals and seals vehicle; approves or authorizes for continuation to destination, notifying staff in receiving district; or rejects and holds produce for further analysis and/or destruction. Inspects crops in field to discern symptom of diseases, weed and/or insect infestation, illegal pesticide applications; collects samples for analysis at state laboratory. Inspects orchards and produce farms to discern symptoms of disease, illegal pesticide applications, insect infestation; collects samples for analysis at state laboratory. Inspects apiaries for signs of disease (American Foulbrood, European Foulbrood, Chalk Brood) and pesticide damage; collects samples of bees and honeycomb and sends for analysis at state laboratory. Confers with agriculture growers, farmers and commercial beekeepers, and interprets laws, rules and regulations governing operations. Inspects commercial vehicles transporting nursery stock or produce, at destination (shipping terminals); unseals truck; inspects for illegal, diseased or insect-infested plants or produce; approves or rejects and holds for further analysis and/or destruction. Completes certificates or permits for issuance, as appropriate. Composes detailed inspection reports. Confers with superior, presenting and resolving difficult problems or questions, discussing plans and actions to be taken, making decisions. Assists in training new workers on-the-job to perform tasks that will become part of everyday work routine. Drives automobile to various locations within a specified district of the State, carrying out business of the work system. Performs related work as required.

WORK CONDITIONS: Travel as required; work can encounter extremes of heat and cold, and potentially hazardous conditions from exposure to toxic chemicals; requires ongoing interaction with the public or agriculture community members, some of whom may be irate. May require irregular work hours to support 24 hour/7 day operation at ports-of-entry.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:

Knowledge of: Federal, State and agency laws, rules, regulations and standards governing inspections; habits and distribution of harmful insects, weeds and diseases of plants; techniques and methods of inspecting and applying controls and fumigating products; enforcement laws in an agriculture and horticulture setting. the procedures and practices of the work system.

Skill/Ability to: applying and interpreting Federal, State and agency laws, rules and regulations governing the inspections of agriculture and horticulture plants, crops and related products; inspecting and identifying habits and distribution of harmful insects, weeds and diseases of plants; recommending controls of insects, weeds and diseases and assisting in applications; applying the relative enforcement laws to violators; oral and written communications; interpersonal relationships.

Experience and Education: Typical ways to obtain the KSAs would be: One year of experience equivalent to an Agriculture Inspector I; OR one year of experience that provided a knowledge of crop producing, pests and diseases and a Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university in agriculture, plant, crop or related field. Any combination of training and experience that meet the knowledge, skills, and abilities (KSAs) may be substituted.

SPECIAL SELECTION FACTORS: A current and valid Arizona driver's license may be required at time of appointment. A medical/physical evaluation is required prior to appointment.