



# NATIONAL ELK REFUGE IRRIGATION TECHNICIAN SUMMER/FALL 2021



**\$13/HOUR** 40 HOURS A WEEK  
+ ON-SITE RV HOUSING PROVIDED

Join our irrigation team on the National Elk Refuge this summer! Enjoy spectacular landscapes of mountains, rolling sagebrush covered hills, and grasslands in northwestern Wyoming's Jackson Hole valley. Position includes assisting with operation and maintenance of a state of the art K-Line irrigation system which irrigates 4,000 acres of grasslands crucial to winter range habitat on the National Elk Refuge.

LOCATED IN  
**JACKSON HOLE, WY**



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## POSITION DETAILS

Refuge personnel are looking for candidates to assist primarily with irrigation duties on refuge grasslands. Forage produced is utilized by elk and bison during the fall and winter months on this critical winter range habitat. This position also aims to help build professional experiences in natural resource management. Although no irrigation or rangeland experience is required, ideal candidates will have interest in agricultural irrigation such as modern irrigation and flood practices as well as have some interest in studies in rangeland and wildlife management, habitat improvements, and general biology. Operation of 4x4 UTV/ATV's is required and training is provided by the refuge. GPS tracking systems are used for proper line location for the daily irrigation changes. Although this position is on the National Elk Refuge, it is NOT a federal government position. Health insurance, relocation and other benefits are NOT provided. Seasonal position only.

### BASIC JOB REQUIREMENTS:

- + Must be 18 years or older
- + Must possess a valid drivers license
- + Reliable and responsible
- + Be able to lift at least 50 lbs
- + Ability to use (or learn to use) a variety of hand and power tools
- + Able to commit to full irrigation season
- + May have to work some or all holidays depending on schedule
- + Depending on available shifts, weekends may be required
- + Ability to work with a diverse team
- + 40 hours a week minimum requirement
- + Able to work outdoors in all weather conditions
- + Operate a ATV/UTV safely (training provided)
- + Adhere to schedules and standard operating procedures
- + Familiarity with GPS systems (training provided)

### PAY & BENEFITS:

- + \$13/hour (paid weekly)
- + Housing provided (RV trailer on-site) / Basic utilities provided
- + Must work 40 hours per week to qualify for on-site, free housing
- + Work in beautiful Jackson, Wyoming
- + Daily exposure to area wildlife

### MANDATORY TRAINING:

- + UTV & ATV online and driving tests (must pass)
- + Online Defensive Driving Test (must pass)

### \*WORK SCHEDULE:

- + May-August: 7:00AM-3:30PM / 5 days a week
- + September-October: 8:00AM-4:30PM / 5 days a week

\* Positions start sometime mid-April to late May and end sometime between mid-August and mid-October.

## OTHER INFORMATION

### TIME OFF / SICK LEAVE:

Irrigation staff are seasonal, temporary staff. You do not acquire vacation days. If you are needing to take time off, you should request the time off as soon as you know. Irrigation staff are not allowed to have excessive time off during the short season. Exceptions can be made if in case of emergency. Time off (vacation or sick) is UNPAID. Continued requests for time-off may result in termination of housing and employment.

### HOLIDAYS & WEEKENDS:

Irrigation runs seven days a week. Because of this, a workers seasonal shift might have them working on a holiday and/or weekends. Irrigation staff do NOT get standard federal, state or local holidays off.

### HOUSING:

Irrigation staff are provided housing and utilities, free of charge. Housing is an RV trailer on refuge grounds. A \$150 deposit is REQUIRED at the beginning of the season. You will get the deposit check back if your accommodations are cleaned and not in disrepair upon completion of the season. Basic utilities are covered when you stay in refuge supplied housing. This includes propane for RV's, water, electricity, and laundry facilities. No internet or phone are provided. Internet hook up access is limited and not possible in some areas so plan accordingly. Most areas get 3G/4G data access.

### PET POLICY:

Seasonal irrigation staff are not allowed to have pets during their time working and living on the refuge. If you wish to bring a pet with, you must provide your own housing, off-refuge.

**NOTE: This position is NOT a government position. You are hired and work through the Jackson Temp Services in Jackson, WY.**



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