

Position Title: Soil Conservation Technician
Location: Monmouth, IL
Schedule: Flexible 30-40 hours (4-5 days) per week
Pay: \$14.16/hour

National Older Worker Career Center (NOWCC) is seeking a **Soil Conservation Technician** (age 55+) to join its Agriculture Conservation Experienced Services (ACES) program in **Monmouth, IL**. The successful candidate will support the USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Services (NRCS) field office with the planning, design, and implementation of conservation practices.

This is a flexible opportunity, with the ability to work 30-40 hours (4-5 days) per week (Mon-Fri). Veterans and retirees are encouraged to apply.

Duties/Responsibilities:

- Assists NRCS staff with data collection and practice design
- Making site visits and providing information to farmers, ranchers, landowners on various assistance available from NRCS and other agencies
- Utilizing survey equipment and standard engineering design software
- Prepares basic natural resources conservation plans
- Computing and plotting engineering notes

Qualifications:

- **Age 55 or older, required**
- Experience in basic survey and design, conservation planning, preferred. Experience may be substituted for an AA degree (or completion of 1 year of study including at least 6 semester hours) in courses such as range management or conservation, agriculture, forestry, wildlife management, engineering, biology, mathematics or other natural or physical sciences.
- Valid State Driver's license
- Experience required with Windows, MS Word, MS Excel
- Experience with Arc-GiS, CAD Conservation Desktop, Conservation Assessment Tool (CART), preferred

Physical Requirements:

- Ability to walk, stand and sit for extended periods of time.
- Ability to work outdoors in all seasons.
- Available for overnight travel, possibly 3-5 days a year. Some travel may be for training purposes.

Benefits:

- Paid Health Insurance Premium
- Paid Vacation and Sick Leave
- Holiday Pay
- Dental/Vision (optional, at cost)
- To work with NOWCC, voted #1 "Best Nonprofit To Work For" in 2019 & 2020, supporting the US Department of Agriculture's office of Natural Resources Conservation Service

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