

Agronomist

WHO WE ARE

Black Gold Farms is a multi-state agriculture operation that is recognized as a leader in the potato production industry for our high-quality potatoes, our sales, and our customer service. We have been around since 1928. That's over 90 years of digging deeper and living life by our seven aspects of culture; Values, Transparency, Team, Excellence, Customer, Passion, and Innovation. With a fourth-generation family owned company like this you truly end up becoming part of the family.

WHO WE'RE LOOKING FOR

A leader that is self-motivated and proactive. Hungry for excellence, with a passion for farming and coaching others. Embraces technology. Is coachable, driven, results focused, and courageous. At Black Gold Farms, our team embraces these qualities, so if this sounds like you then please read on.

THE ROLE

This role is crucial in adding value through proper planning, scouting, and executing recommendations for successful farming of potatoes, corn, and soybeans. This individual will work with a Regional Agronomist, the Farm Manager, and all location employees including an agronomy intern and seasonal quality control employees.

Responsibilities:

- Develop crop plans for potatoes, corn, and soybeans to include fertilizers and crop protection measures
- Conduct crop scouting, tissue and soil sampling, and complete yield estimates
- Develop and manage the Global Gap plan for the operation
- Monitor both planter and harvester efficiencies
- Perform pre-ship quality control checks during harvest by pulling samples and frying them
- Responsible for receiving seed, evaluating the quality, and cutting
- Ordering crop input and scheduling their application
- Assist in land selection for pre-season planning
- Participate in test plot research in conjunction with universities and customers
- Recommend sound agronomic solutions to best treat the crop

Required:

- Scouting experience
- In field crop management
- Agronomic background
- Soil moisture management
- Embraces technology
- Chemical Application
- Good communication and people skills
- High School Diploma or GED
- Valid driver's license
- Ability to pass MVR

Desired:

- Bachelor's degree in related field
- Soil drainage and hydrology
- Mapping, variable rate, soil sampling grid sampling
- Farm equipment operation
- Evaluating land potential experience
- Potato, corn, or soybean experience

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- Research or trial experience

Still not convinced?

Black Gold Farms offers an excellent benefits package, including health, a company funded health savings account, dental, vision, life and AD&D insurance, flexible spending accounts, a 401(k) program with a company match, paid time off, and incentive compensation. Relocation assistance may be provided if necessary.

Location

This position is located at our farm in Columbia, NC. Occasional travel required. Black Gold Farms is a multi-state Ag operation with locations in 10 other states including: Grand Forks, ND (headquarters); Live Oak, FL; Columbia, NC; Camden, NC; Delhi, LA; Arbyrd, MO; Charleston, MO; Rhodesdale, MD; Winamac, IN; Sturgis, MI; East Grand Forks, ND and Forest River, ND.

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