## **Resource Conservationist – Position Available**

The DeKalb County Soil and Water Conservation District in Sycamore, Illinois is seeking candidates for a full-time Resource Conservationist (RC). The RC position is responsible for administering conservation programs and practices through State and Federal Programs; preparing detailed natural resource information reports to local units of government; promoting natural resource protection in urban areas thru the inspection of construction sites; coordinating District educational informational and outreach programs; assisting with watershed planning and implementation and other District programs such as fish and rain barrel sales; along with attending monthly board meetings and regional/state meetings as required.

Candidates need to have the ability to communicate across all levels; relay technical information in an understandable format; be organized, self-motivated, innovative; willing to accept responsibility, able to work independently, and possess excellent oral and written communication skills. This position requires regular exertion due to conservation work, such as walking on rough terrain and climbing steep banks. Attendance at occasional evening or weekend activities may be required. A strong agricultural background and a bachelor's degree in agriculture, conservation or a related field are preferred, as well as working knowledge or experience with GIS. Utilization of GIS is a job requirement, additional training will be offered as needed.

This is a full-time position. Salary is commensurate with education and experience. Benefits include: formal and on the job training to further develop your skills for this position, stipend for health insurance coverage, life insurance, and paid holidays and vacation. Employment will be contingent upon receiving a satisfactory United States of Department of Agriculture background investigation.

All interested candidates are asked to send a cover letter with resume with references, and salary requirements, to the DeKalb County Soil and Water Conservation District office, located at 1350 West Prairie Drive, Sycamore, Illinois 60178 or e-mail Dean.Johnson@il.nacdnet.net by Wednesday, December 5, 2018 at 4:30 p.m. CST. The full Job Description is available at the DeKalb County Soil and Water Conservation District office or on the District website: <a href="www.swcdekalbil.org">www.swcdekalbil.org</a>.

The DeKalb County Soil and Water Conservation District is an Equal Employment Opportunity Employer.