

**Position Title:** Viticulturist

**Location/Department:** King City, CA / Vineyards

**Reports To:** Director, Vineyard

**Date:** 10/2/09

**Band:** F

**Job Posting #:** 09-181

### **POSITION SUMMARY:**

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Recommends, develops, implements and monitors viticultural programs on owned and leased vineyards to provide consistent, high quality, cost effective fruit that meets winemaking objectives.

### **RESPONSIBILITIES:**

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- Pest, irrigation, disease, fertility and soil monitoring across all estate vineyards. Will provide weekly reports and recommendations for treatment.
- Develop and track seasonal spray program with Vineyard Director within an IPM & monetary framework.
- Assist in managing the spray program. This will include writing work orders, scheduling equipment, purchasing materials, communicating with neighbors and winemakers regarding reentry intervals.
- Monitor and report on phenology and grape maturity. Assist in scheduling and implementation of maturity sampling prior to and during harvest.
- Monitor vineyard nutrition and health via petiole sampling or soil sampling. Will make recommendations for fertilizer applications with petiole data.
- Perform and supervise vine water status measurements via leaf water potentials and visual analysis on a weekly basis.
- Assist in performing GPS measurements and GIS data management to enhance operational efficiency and precision management.
- Assist in maintaining vineyard experiments, gathering data, and designing new ones.
- Disseminates technical information and recommendations to management and staff.
- Directly supervise seasonal employees in gathering LWP readings and other viticultural data.
- Maintains accurate vineyard data in database, Sure Harvest.

### **QUALIFICATIONS:**

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- B.S. in Viticulture or a related field with at least 2 years winery or vineyard experience. Strong background in Viticulture, Enology and related areas including plant physiology, pest management, soils, plant nutrition, etc.
- PCA/PCO license preferred
- Strong verbal/written communication skills in both English and Spanish.
- Ability to work well within a team environment, while both working with and leading individuals in a respectful manner that is consistent with the company's values
- Computer skills; MS Office and database applications

**PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS/OTHER:**

- Able to work outdoors in varying weather and terrain.
- Valid CA Drivers License with clean driving record
- Able to lift 45 lbs. on occasion.
- Must successfully complete post-offer pre-employment drug/alcohol testing.

**APPLICANT PROCEDURE:**

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All applicants must submit a cover letter with their resume to the following contact either electronically, mail or facsimile:

**Sara Tarango, Human Resource Manager**  
**800 South Alta Street PO Box 780**  
**Gonzales, CA 93926**  
**Fax # (831) 675-5425 or**  
**sara.tarango@cwine.com**

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