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**Job Order Detail**

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**Department: DEPARTMENT OF LIVESTOCK**

**Division:** Animal Health

**Bureau:** Field Operations

**Date Posted:** 01/04/2008

**Job Category:** Healthcare Practitioner and Technical

**Position Number:** 56392804

**Position Title:** VETERINARIAN, FIELD OPERATIONS (OFFICE LOCATION  
NEGOTIABLE)

**Location:** HELENA

**Job Status:** Full Time Permanent

**Salary:** \$44,466.00 to \$66,698.00

**Salary Unit:** Year

**Additional Salary** Salary based on qualifications and determined according to Pay

**Info:** Plan 020 guidelines.

**Shift:** Daytime

**Band or Grade:** 7

**Closing Date:** 01/18/2008

**Supplement  
Required:** No

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**Applications must be received by 5:00pm on the closing date.**

**Apply to your Local Montana Job Service Center**

**- OR -**

**State Agency:**

DEPARTMENT OF LIVESTOCK

PO BOX 202001

HELENA, MT 59620

**Phone:** (406)444-4995

**Fax:** (406)444-4316

**TTY:** (406)444-1421

**E-mail:** [shmartin@mt.gov](mailto:shmartin@mt.gov)

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**Special Information:**

Primary office location is negotiable. The incumbent works with potentially dangerous, wild and domestic animals under various conditions and circumstances and may be

exposed to zoonotic disease agents. The position involves extensive field work throughout the state. The position will travel in excess of 1,500 miles per month, and will involve travel over rough terrain and the use of 4WD vehicles, ATVs and snowmobiles. Field work will involve exposure to inclement weather conditions, hiking and carrying equipment over rough terrain, and risk of injury while testing and working unpredictable wild and domestic livestock including bison, cattle, and alternative livestock.

**Duties:**

As a licensed Veterinarian, this position will perform investigations associated with regulatory medicine primarily in the field. The Field Vet reports to the State Veterinarian and Assistant State Veterinarian. The field work includes testing bison and assisting in organizing brucellosis control activities near the Yellowstone National Park area; field inspection of rendering plants and auction markets; imposition and removal of import quarantines; and testing, diagnosing, and quarantining for diseases. The position will be responsible for regulatory medicine related to domestic, wild, and game farm animals. Work time and primary duties are allocated in two general areas; Disease control & investigation 70% and Import Compliance & Quarantine 20% other duties as assigned 10% . A complete job description is available from [shmartin@mt.gov](mailto:shmartin@mt.gov) or by calling 406-444-4995.

**Competencies:**

COMMITMENT TO SERVE THE PUBLIC; • Demonstrates the highest integrity and is sensitive to the public nature of state funding and exercises individual and professional ownership in using all resources in the most efficient manner. • Actively strives to serve the public with care and accountability; demonstrates cooperation. EFFICIENCY AND FOCUS; • Uses time effectively and prioritizes tasks; ensures accuracy and clarity of work and makes corrections in a timely manner. KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES: The position requires a thorough knowledge of the concepts and practices of veterinary medicine; disease control; state and federal laws and rules relating to the livestock industry, alternative livestock, and animal health; epidemiology and immunology; herd management; and livestock industry; USDA program regulations; animal husbandry, and different handling practices. Skill and ability in interpreting lab results. The position requires the ability to speak and write clearly, establish and maintain effective working relationships with a wide range of individuals, and interpret and apply laws and regulations consistently. Regulatory experience preferred.

**Education/Experience:**

Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (D.V.M. or V.M.D.) degree from an accredited institution. Licensed Veterinarian or eligible to be licensed in the state of Montana. Three to four years in veterinary medicine including experience with large animals, regulatory testing, and state and federal laws and rules related to the livestock industry and animal health.

No state application is required at this time. For initial consideration please send a resume and one page letter of interest. Your letter should describe why you feel you would enjoy the position. Employment is contingent upon an acceptable background investigation, a decision that rests solely with the department.