POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

Soil Health Educator in Canada

The Soil Health Institute (SHI), a non-profit organization created to safeguard and enhance the vitality and productivity of soil, is seeking a Soil Health Educator located in Canada. The successful candidate will co-lead development and implementation of educational programs for farmers and agronomists to enhance adoption of regenerative soil health systems that will include virtual trainings and in-person workshops and field days. The candidate will work closely with Soil Health Institute staff, partners, and farmers across Canada.

Desired Qualifications:
- Ph.D. or M.S./B.S. with experience is preferred. Relevant degrees include agronomy, soil science, soil conservation or related disciplines.
- Demonstrated effective communication and relationship skills with farmers and collaborators.
- Experience with a range of crops, soils, and climates. (Experience with potato production systems preferred).
- Experience providing educational programs for farmers in adopting conservation practices.
- Experience listening to the challenges and needs of growers and developing educational programs that reflect those challenges and needs.
- Experience with organizing and leading on-farm field days.
- Experience in planning and conducting virtual trainings on soil health related topics.
- Experience serving as a mentor to farmers and agronomists.
- Organizational skills.
- A working knowledge of soil health management systems and their associated conservation practices.
- A working knowledge of evaluating soil health in the field and making recommendations for improving soil health.
- A working knowledge of the soil health principles as they apply to production systems across Canada.

Contract and Compensation:
- This position is initially anticipated as a one-year contract starting at approximately 115,000 CAD (90,000 USD), with likelihood of renewal.

To apply, send a cover letter and resume/C.V. highlighting your qualifications, a copy of your college transcripts (unofficial copy is okay), and the contact information of 3 references to: Dr. Wayne Honeycutt, CEO, Soil Health Institute, whoneycutt@soilhealthinstitute.org. In the subject line of the email please write “Soil Health Educator Application”. The position will remain open until filled; however, the first review of applications will begin December 13, 2021, so all interested candidates are strongly encouraged to apply by that date.