



## **\*Carbon Washington Hiring Sustainable Farms Campaign Manager\***

### **About Carbon Washington**

Carbon Washington is a statewide, nonpartisan organization. Our vision: Net zero carbon greenhouse gas emissions and a prosperous, healthy future for Washington State. Carbon Washington is an active participant in state government and works closely with elected officials to pass meaningful climate legislation. Specifically, we focus on building bipartisan coalitions with lawmakers from districts around the state, including representatives from both urban and rural communities. Carbon Washington believes that Washington can take on a leadership role in this fight and provide a blueprint for other states to follow by implementing smart and effective policies that work for as many people as possible. Learn more at [Carbonwa.org](http://Carbonwa.org).

Are we effective? Former Republican State Sen. Paul Graves says, *“Reducing carbon pollution without harming jobs and families is a tough challenge. It requires thoughtfulness, a clear view of the evidence and tradeoffs, and a willingness to work with people on both sides of the aisle and both sides of the state. I’m grateful to Carbon Washington for embodying those values.”*

### **About the Sustainable Farming Campaign**

In Washington State, rural communities are often the hardest hit by climate change impacts like wildfire, flooding, drought, pests, and other harms to natural resources. Rural economies can also potentially benefit from climate change solutions that create market-based systems to reward practices that sequester carbon in the soil and reduce carbon pollution. This potential has been neglected by many groups that focus on climate change. Agriculture accounts for roughly 7% of Washington’s direct greenhouse gas emissions. However, farmers can adopt proven technologies and practices that completely offset those emissions and more, by sequestering carbon in soil and forest while producing valuable economic outputs in food, feed and materials. The 2019 Washington State Legislature explored the creation of a grant program, spearheaded in part by Carbon Washington, to fund agricultural practices that reduce climate pollution and sequester more carbon in trees and soil. That program generated bipartisan sponsorship and broad interest.

The sustainable farms campaign will harness the potential to advance sustainable agriculture practices to increase their usage and create momentum for statewide policy action to encourage sustainable farming while exploring interest in similar policies for forested landscapes.

## **About the Position**

The sustainable farming campaign manager will oversee and execute a statewide campaign of outreach, education and advocacy on behalf of sustainable farming practices.

### **Outreach**

- Reach out directly to farmers and industry groups across the state to learn about what they are already doing to address climate change to share potential practices and technologies that exist to sequester carbon emissions.
- Meet with local elected officials.
- Develop and execute events that showcase sustainable farming practices and share them with the agricultural community.
- Build a broad database of potential events for Carbon Washington to attend.

### **Policy**

- Listen and learn from the agriculture community regarding concerns, barriers to sustainable practices, and methods/practices that are already working. Report back to the broader working group on these findings.
- Participate in bi-weekly policy and legislative strategy calls.

### **Advocacy**

- Work with farmers and the agricultural community to advocate for public policy that can encourage sustainable farming practices.
- Maintain regular engagement with, and expand Carbon Washington's grassroots network interest in sustainable farm and forestry practices

### **Desired Qualifications**

- Campaign management or program management experience
- Excellent organizational, research, and outreach skills
- Direct experience with the agricultural community with NGO's, farms, government, or a related field.
- Background in or strong fluency in sustainable farming methods.
- Ability to travel throughout the state, with reliable transportation.
- Strong public speaking and public relations skills.

### **Timeline and Compensation**

This is a temporary position that will begin on September 1st 2019, or sooner if available, and continue until March 1st 2020, or later. Salary is DOE and hours are negotiable, but we have budgeted for a range of \$22-\$35 per hour. Hours are likely to vary between .5 FTE - 1 FTE and are negotiable.

Please email a cover letter and resume to [Info@carbonwa.org](mailto:Info@carbonwa.org) if you wish to apply. Applications will be considered on a rolling basis.