



Bridgestone Americas is seeking candidates a **Research Agronomist / Horticulturalist** at our BioRubber Research Farm in Eloy, Arizona. The position will be responsible for working with a small team of plant scientists to develop Guayule (*Parthenium argentatum*) as a commercially viable feedstock for production of tire-grade rubber.

The **Research Agronomist / Horticulturalist** will be responsible for developing and executing a research plan to:

- Establish best growing practices to support value-added products
- Establish best growing practices for maximal productivity of each variety produced from the plant breeding program
- Establish best growing practices for seed production farm
- Develop guayule production models to support year-round agri-business model
- Develop best practices for irrigation, fertilization, and pest, disease and weed control
- Develop cost-effective growing and harvesting systems to integrate into the existing regional infrastructure
- Pursue direct-seeding approach to replace costly transplants
- Develop time and cost efficient bulk seed harvesting methods

Qualified candidates are preferred to have:

- An MS or PhD in Agronomy, Plant Science, Horticulture or a related field
- Experience working in Western / arid agricultural environments

Candidates must possess solid academic training, creativity, and problem-solving abilities. Strong skills in verbal/written communication and the ability to effectively collaborate with others are essential. Applicants must be authorized to work in the United States. To be considered for this position, submit your cover letter and resume to Human Resources, Bridgestone Americas Holding, Inc. by e-mail to hrcrt@bfusa.com or by fax to 330-379-7290. AA/EOE.