



It takes a soul to love the prairie. — *Willa Cather*

The Bessey Ranger District of the Nebraska National Forests and Grasslands seeks a Rangeland Management Specialist. This person works with 30 direct permittees to manage about 11,000 head of cattle on 210,000 acres of native Sandhills grasslands. It's the linchpin for our management of natural resources: wildlife, fire, and recreation.

The position is located in Halsey, Nebraska. Government housing is available. The position will be flown at the SRM conference: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/working-with-us/jobs/events>.

The district is a highly functional, productive, and fun place to work.

Required:

- A range degree, or else working on one (or natural resources management)
- Curiosity and a willingness to listen and learn
- Enjoy working in a team
- A strong work ethic and a proven track record of finishing projects
- Appreciation of the value of your public lands

Highly desirable:

- Practical knowledge of cattle and ranching operations
- Plant identification skills
- Horsemanship and/or ATV skills
- GPS and GIS skills
- Ability to operate heavy equipment
- Ability to lift a 55-pound sack of rye by yourself



Field work at dawn

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Grassland management over time



Mixed grass prairie



Prairie wildflowers



Robust prescribed burn program



Sharptailed grouse