



JOB OPPORTUNITY

Position: Rangeland Officer - Volunteer

Location: Tsavo Landscape, Voi-Kenya

Reporting: Programs Manager

Type of Employment: 1-Year Contract

Background

The Taita Taveta Wildlife Conservancies Association (TTWCA) is a regional membership organization established in 2013 to unify and coordinate community-led conservation efforts by Taita Taveta ranches and conservancies for the benefit of the people and biodiversity. TTWCA is based in Taita Taveta County, Kenya, within the wider Tsavo Landscape.

TTWCA currently brings together 35 community ranches, 9 of which are registered as wildlife conservancies spread across over 4,046 km² of wildlife dispersal areas surrounding the Tsavo East and Tsavo West National Parks. This area represents 24% of the total Taita Taveta County land area. This area is an important landscape that also includes wildlife dispersal areas and migratory corridors connecting the Tsavo National Park in Kenya and Mkomazi National Park in Tanzania.

Taita Taveta Wildlife Conservancies Association (TTWCA) is seeking to recruit an experienced and enthusiastic Rangeland officer - Volunteer. The successful candidate will work under the supervision of the Programs Manager and will be responsible for the implementation of TTWCA programs and project activities in the Tsavo landscape. The Rangeland officer-volunteer will contribute to the achievement of projects' objectives through coordinating and reporting on all rangelands activities and providing technical guidance to the programs department.

Responsibilities

Reporting to the Programs Manager, the rangelands officer-volunteer will;

- Provide support in the development, implementation, and monitoring of land use and management plans for the ranches/conservancies.
- Ensure project documentation for assigned activities is complete with all required documents and is filed per agency and donor requirements. Assist

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with the preparation of trends analysis reports and documentation of case studies and promising practices.

- Regulate grazing, and help ranchers plan and organize grazing systems in order to manage, improve, and protect rangelands and maximize their use.
- Coordinate and oversee working relationships with all project stakeholders and serve as the liaison between them and the project team to mobilize local actors and promote project activities and impact.
- Assist in regulating grazing, and help ranchers plan and organize grazing systems in order to manage, improve, and protect rangelands and maximize their use
- Study forage plants and their growth requirements to determine varieties best suited to particular rangelands.
- Study grazing patterns in ranches to determine the number and type of livestock that can be profitably grazed as well as determining the best grazing seasons.
- Champion adoption of appropriate technologies in rangelands and livestock management.
- Support rangeland management practices by promoting sustainable grazing practices and encouraging reforestation and restoration efforts
- Develop technical standards and specifications used to manage, protect, and improve the rangelands and related grazing lands.
- Overseeing all training on rangelands management matters.
- Offer advice to rangeland users on water management, forage production methods, and control of bushfires.
- Conduct community engagement and awareness campaigns on rangelands and natural resource management.

Requirements/Qualifications

1. Bachelor of Science degree in range management or natural resource management or other related field from a recognized institution.
2. Minimum 2 years of professional work experience in natural resource management.
3. Demonstrate an understanding of carbon sequestration project design and implementation.

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4. Proficient and experienced in planning, monitoring, and reporting project activities in relevant field with multi-stakeholder partnerships.
5. Excellent interpersonal, networking, communication, negotiation, and facilitation skills with experience working with communities.
6. Ability to work in challenging environments and deliver on tight deadlines.
7. Able to maintain a high level of integrity and discretion in handling confidential information.

How to Apply

Interested and qualified persons are invited to submit their application (a cover letter, a CV that includes at least 3 referees and testimonials) to jobs@ttwcakenya.com and CC: info@ttwcakenya.com with email subject: **Rangeland Officer Volunteer** on or before **19th April 2024**.

Or hardcopies addressed to;

Taita Taveta Wildlife Conservancies Association (TTWCA)

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