

Ranch Manager Job Description

Job Title: Ranch Manager

Staff Category: TBD

Reports to: Michael Costello

SUMMARY:

Manage the overall daily operations of Sunrise Ranch ranching operation, which is based in Holistic Management per the Savory Institute and practices of Joel Salatin.

JOB RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Manage the cow/calf 100% grassfed operation, including the breeding and raising of stock. Also manage other livestock, such as poultry, pigs, sheep and honeybees, using recognized breeding practices to ensure stock health and improvement.
- Coordinate and manage purchasing of materials and equipment with Purchasing Agent
- Hire, train and supervise workers engaged in raising livestock
- Inspect farm or ranch structures, such as buildings, fences (electric single line, barbed wire and portable electric fence), and roads, ordering repair or maintenance activities, as needed
- Maintain financial, operational, production and employment records for farm/ranch
- Manage and direct activities, such as irrigation of pastures, monitoring of pasture grass and soil health, rotational intensive grazing, utilizing electric fencing and daily movement of cattle; create and manage pastured pork program
- Create and manage grazing plans
- Work with and manage processing of livestock with our established vendors, to include delivery of livestock to butcher and pickup of product
- Coordinate processing of livestock with our kitchen
- Manage grassfed beef sales
- This is a working manager position and manager will perform many of the necessary duties for this ranching operation.

SKILLS & EXPERIENCE

- A background in animal husbandry
- Cattle experience
- Pasture experience (Holistic Management knowledge a plus)
- Equipment and maintenance knowledge
- Supervisory and management skills

- Solid communication and analytical skills
- Basic computer skills and proficiency with Microsoft Office
- Strong attention to detail; confidentiality required
- Adaptable—thrives in a constantly changing work environment
- Enthusiastic, creative team member—able and willing to participate in community life