

Job title	Conservation Agronomist Specialist	Job Classification	Salary Exempt
Reports to	Full line: Sales Manager Dotted line: Agronomy Manager	Salary Range	
Direct Reports	N/A	EEOC Classification	Sales Worker

## **About Pro Cooperative**

**Our Mission**: Building lasting partnerships by being PROactive, PROgressive and PROfessional.

**Our Vision**: To provide premier services to every customer through personalized relationships, whole farm solutions, and advanced technical knowledge.

#### **Our Core Values:**

- Trust working to earn TRUST every day, operating with reliability and integrity.
- Service SERVING others with understanding, respect and care.
- *Fun* having FUN building a Positive Team and Family Spirit while removing barriers and letting people do what they do best.
- Safety Ensuring the SAFETY of our people; doing what's best to create the safest environment now and for the future.

## Job purpose

- The position of Conservation Agronomist Specialist is of great significance to Pro Cooperative.
  - A person in this position is responsible for recommending and educating on soil health practices, cover crops and additional services.
  - This position maintains customer relationships in a manner that will optimize Pro Cooperative's market share and profits, improve Pro Cooperative's efficiency, help achieve Pro Cooperative's mission and goals, and result in outstanding customer service.

#### **Duties and responsibilities**

These are the basic duties and responsibilities of the position and must be performed competently.

- Make sound recommendations to customers by presenting Conservation and Agronomy solutions, products, services, and/or concepts in order to maximize returns for the customers.
- Develop and maintain a current list of customers and prospects and rate them based on potential size of operation, credit worthiness, and other pertinent marketing information.
- Assist farmers with enrolling and applying for financial assistance programs through state/local conservation incentive programs.
- Prioritize prospects and partial customers to identify the best opportunities for growth.
- Make regular sales calls to current and potential customers and respond to customers' inquiries and questions in a timely manner.
- Develop and maintain effective business relations with current and potential future customers.
- Document and submit sales call information to direct supervisor using Pro Cooperative's CRM program.
- Provide a consistent communication channel between Pro Cooperative customers and location personnel to set proper service expectation levels, resolve problems and scheduling issues.
- Educate customers on conservation agronomy and how to implement it on farms with success.
- Collaborate with other departments and/or locations to identify potential benefits to the customer from other company programs.
- Establish and attain sales goals that are compatible with Pro Cooperative annual goals.
- Work with customers, suppliers, and management to resolve product/service complaints fairly and equitably.
- Maintain sales contracts and bookings.
- Develop account plans that include strategy and tactics for achieving desired customer results.
- Responsible for learning new product specifications and applications
- Help Location monitor projected sales to monitor inventory needs.



- Monitor monthly sales and expense reports, as well as manage sales to achieve target margins and product mix.
- Work with direct supervisor to establish a budget with particular emphasis on sales volumes & direct selling expenses.
- Offer timely feedback to Pro Cooperative on execution of plans, needs, opportunities, value, and obstacles discovered during the selling process.
- Understand and maintain the professional image of Pro Cooperative.
- Establish cohesive working relations with other Pro Cooperative employees, its patrons and vendors to establish a positive work environment.
- Complete training and attend meetings/workshops/seminars/continuing education appropriate to the position, as assigned and approved by direct supervisor.
- Inform direct supervisor of all relevant departmental issues in a timely manner.
- Perform all other duties as assigned by direct supervisor.
- Assist other locations as needed.
- Comply with all federal, state, and local regulations and Pro Cooperative's policies, including Pro Cooperative's safety policies.

#### Minimum experience and qualifications

- Bachelor's degree (B. A.) from four-year college or university; or three to five years related experience and/or training; or equivalent combination of education and experience.
- Valid state motor vehicle operator's license required. Possesses a driving record that meets or exceeds Pro Cooperative driving guidelines.
- Key competencies include communication, results driver, sales skills, teamwork and interpersonal skills.
- CDL and other DOT qualifications for operation of a commercial motor vehicle preferred.
- Certified Crop Advisor preferred.
- Must be a self-starter and able to schedule and manage time without close supervision.

## Physical demands

Physical activities typically performed while on this job.

ACTIVITY	FREQUENY	ACTIVITY	FREQUENCY
Bending/Stooping	Occasionally (1%-33%)	Sitting	Frequently (34%-66%)
Climbing-stairs, ladders, slope	Occasionally (1%-33%)	Standing	Frequently (34%-66%)
Crawling	Occasionally (1%-33%)	Twisting	Occasionally (1%-33%)
Grasping/Handling	Constantly (67%-100%)	Walking	Frequently (34%-66%)
Kneeling	Occasionally (1%-33%)	Balancing	Occasionally (1%-33%)
Neck Flexion/Extension	Frequently (34%-66%)	Squatting	Occasionally (1%-33%)
Reaching Forward	Frequently (34%-66%)	Change of Position	Frequently (34%-66%)
Reaching Overhead	Occasionally (1%-33%)	In/Out of Machine	Occasionally (1%-33%)

## **Physical effort**

Physical effort typically applied while performing this job.

LIFT/CARRYING	FREQUENY	PUSHING/PULLING	FREQUENCY
1 – 10 lbs.	Frequently (34%-66%)	1 – 10 lbs.	Occasionally (1%-33%)
11 – 20 lbs.	Frequently (34%-66%)	11 – 20 lbs.	Occasionally (1%-33%)
21 – 50 lbs.	Frequently (34%-66%)	21 – 50 lbs.	Occasionally (1%-33%)
51 – 100 lbs.	Occasionally (1%-33%)	51 – 100 lbs.	Occasionally (1%-33%)
100+ lbs.	Occasionally (1%-33%)	100+ lbs.	Occasionally (1%-33%)

# **Working conditions**

Work conditions typically encountered on this job.

CONDITION FREQUENY CONI	OITION FREQUENCY
<b>Dust</b> Occasionally (1%-33%) <b>Chem</b>	ical Agents Frequently (34%-66%)
Excessive Heat Occasionally (1%-33%) Fume	s, Odors Frequently (34%-66%)
Excessive Cold Occasionally (1%-33%) Solve	nts, Petroleum Products Occasionally (1%-33%)
Noise Occasionally (1%-33%) Other	s Specify: Animals Occasionally (1%-33%)



Vibration	Occasionally (1%-33%) Oth		Others	s Specify: N/A	
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Driving - Vehicle/Ed	quipment	Frequently (34	4%-66%)	Power Tools/Equipmen	t Occasionally (1%-33%)
Indoors		Frequently (34		Hearing	Constantly (67%-100%)
Outdoors		Frequently (34	4%-66%)	Talking	Constantly (67%-100%)
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