



United States Department of Agriculture  
Natural Resources Conservation Service

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## Rangeland Management Specialist (GS-0454)

### Enjoy Being Out on the Open Spaces?

Natural Resources Conservation Service rangeland management specialists work with individuals and groups interested in addressing resource concerns on grazing lands. They assist landowners to develop grazing plans that work with their goals and objectives. To develop these plans, rangeland specialist gather inventory data, develop alternatives, and design a plan that sustains and improves the rangeland resources. The diversity of rangeland provides you with the opportunity to work with many different individuals and groups on everything from wildlife habitat improvements to short duration high intensity grazing systems. Interested, join NRCS.



**JOB SATISFACTION:** Addressing rangeland management concerns, providing ranchers with solutions to livestock and range condition problems

Natural Resources Conservation Service works in partnership with the American people to conserve and sustain natural resources.

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## Team Approach

At NRCS, we know that natural resource issues are often complex, and sometimes require a variety of skills to address a problem. That's why NRCS believes in an inter-disciplinary team approach. If you encounter a tough problem, you won't be alone. Regardless of your job title, you will have access to, and back-up from, NRCS specialists in all our disciplines. We believe that by working together, each of us contributing our skills, we can tackle the toughest natural resource challenges.



### Minimum Qualifications for a Rangeland Management Specialist

1. **Degree:** range management; or a related discipline that included at least 42 semester hours in a combination of the plant, animal, and soil sciences, and natural resources management, as follows:
  - *Range Management* -- At least 18 semester hours of course work in range management, including courses in such areas as basic principles of range management, range plants, range ecology, range inventories and studies, range improvements, and ranch or rangeland planning.
  - *Directly Related Plant, Animal, and Soil Sciences* -- At least 15 semester hours of directly related courses in the plant, animal, and soil sciences, including at least one course in each of these three scientific areas, i.e., plant, animal, and soil sciences. Courses in such areas as plant taxonomy, plant physiology, plant ecology, animal nutrition, livestock production, and soil morphology or soil classification are acceptable.
  - *Related Resource Management Studies* -- At least 9 semester hours of course work in related resource management subjects, including courses in such areas as wildlife management, watershed management, natural resource or agricultural economics, forestry, agronomy, forages, and outdoor recreation management.

OR

2. **Combination of education and experience:** at least 42 semester hours of course work in the combination of plant, animal, and soil sciences and natural resources management shown in A above, plus appropriate experience or additional education.