

Pasture Division Assistant: Belcampo Farms - Gazelle, CA

Belcampo Meat Company is a 10,000-acre organic farm that is building a slaughter facility and group of old-fashioned butcher shops to market its products. The butcher shops, scheduled to launch in 2012, will offer an old-world experience to California consumers interested in purchasing high-quality, healthy, and great tasting meats. By controlling the entire production chain - from the farm, through slaughter and processing, and right through to the point of sale. Belcampo will offer an unparalleled experience to the consumer, ideal for an emerging market of consumers concerned about food safety, environmental responsibility, and taste quality.

Belcampo will become one of three American farms with a wholly owned slaughter facility, and the first to own its entire distribution channel. Belcampo will produce nearly every type of meat imaginable, from guinea fowl to goats, with a focus on super-premium beef and pork. Given its focus on natural and sustainable production, Belcampo will raise primarily heritage breed animals selected for great taste quality.

The Pasture Division Assistant is responsible for the daily operational activities of the ruminant programs at Belcampo. This position will help plan, coordinate and participate in all aspects of the ruminant production program, including:

- Ruminant husbandry (beef cattle, sheep, goats);
- Breeding program supervision;
- Manure management and collection;
- Transport to proprietary slaughter facility;
- Management and maintenance of feeding and watering systems;
- Maintenance of ruminant facilities and equipment;
- Management of production records;
- Maintenance of strict bio-security measures;

- Supervision of rotational grazing practices;
- Maintenance and management of extensive fencing systems (temporary electric, permanent electric and barbed wire).

This position will be responsible for:

- Care, accountability, protection and well being of all animals in the pasture program, as well as other species within Belcampo's multi-species farming system as circumstance dictates.
- Upkeep of the fixed and mobile facilities associated with ruminant production and animal husbandry.
- Supervising seasonal and or fulltime staff.

Recommended skills/experience include:

- Three years livestock management experience;
- High school diploma/GED required, Bachelors Degree recommended (relevant major encouraged);
- Farm implement operation;
- Foreign language skills encouraged (Spanish, Italian, German);
- Mechanical repair and maintenance;
- Experience in organic animal husbandry and accompanying record keeping;

Supervisor

- Position reports to the Pasture Division Director

Compensation

- Commensurate with experience

Contact

- Please send resume to Aimee Danch, Pasture Division Director at ad@belcampoca.com