



# DETAILED JOB DESCRIPTIONS

## **Adaptation Research Scientist**

**Research Objectives:** (1) to research barriers, opportunities, and unintended consequences of adaptation; (2) to provide expertise and assistance with community climate adaptation planning; and (3) to develop and present strategies for improving climate adaptation, including processes that may include multiple climate tools, planning methods and models, and culturally appropriate community engagement. This position will serve as a researcher providing expert assistance and guidance for boundary spanners at the CASC.

To fulfill the research objectives above, specific tasks may include:

- Maintains respectful and helpful relationships with societal partners in the region in order to provide climate change-related content for adaptation (or similar) planning efforts with the purpose of supporting more climate-resilient communities and ecosystems;
- Designs, implements, collaborates on, and coordinates research on and strategies for climate adaptation planning processes, including the use of data, information, and multiple forms of knowledge;
- Compiles or synthesizes information on effective practices in climate adaptation planning and implementation;
- Leads or participates in committees and subcommittees of the South Central CASC related to climate adaptation planning and research;
- Builds and maintains relationships and professional knowledge through climate adaptation, community planning, and other relevant organizations and networks, including attendance at conferences and workshops;
- Communicates and represents the South Central CASC in meetings and informal discussions, and coordinates with our team to fulfill our broader CASC goals; and
- Disseminates research results.

**Qualifications:** They will have a PhD (or Masters Degree with at least 5 years of experience) in community, regional, or urban planning; environmental sustainability; geography; ecology; science (broadly interpreted); or related fields. They will be able to work efficiently in a remote teamwork setting, to complete multiple projects and tasks with high-quality work, and to coordinate efforts and share results with team members frequently.