

MAINTENANCE MANAGER/FARM ASSISTANT

Location: Musk Ox Farm, 12850 E Archie Rd, Palmer, Alaska 99645

Pay: \$17 - \$22 an hour

Type: Full-time

Shift and schedule

- **8-hour shift**
- **Overtime**
- **Weekends as needed**
- **Year-round work**
- **Holidays**

Benefits

- Flexible schedule
- Paid time off
- Retirement plan

FULL JOB DESCRIPTION

The Musk Ox Development Corporation d.b.a. Musk Ox Farm is in search of an upbeat individual that is willing to work hard and join our team.

Responsibilities change throughout the year with winters more focused on animal handling, snow removal, and maintenance with summers more focused on fabrication projects, facilities, and equipment maintenance.

This person must be patient and do well under stressful situations. This is a physically demanding job, being on your feet throughout the day, outdoors in all weather conditions.

The applicant will be working directly under the herd manager and be responsible for the herd in her absence. Work with animals is hands-on and requires patience and confidence. This person will also be responsible for all maintenance of all machinery (gas, diesel, hydraulic, and small engine), welding, carpentry, buildings, facilities, and grounds.

Duties and responsibilities include, but are not limited to the following

Mechanical

- Maintaining, repairing, and operating of farm equipment; gas, diesel, electric, hydraulic, etc.
- Snow removal with snowblower, tractor, skid steer, and shovel
- Summer maintenance of lawns and landscaping
- Building and fabrication; welding, carpentry, fencing, etc.
- Carrying out maintenance and repair of all pastures, fences, feeders, and buildings

Husbandry

- Monitoring and caring for the overall health of the herd including:
 - Feeding/Watering
 - Weighing
 - Maintaining feed, weight, health, and breeding records
 - Handling of animals
 - Taming, weaning, and socializing of calves
 - Setting of harems for breeding
 - Working intensively with adult herd
 - Combing and collection of qiviut
 - Assisting in veterinary care
 - Hoof/Horn trimming
- Covering the duties of the Herd Manager during vacation or other absence
- Carrying out any other tasks assigned by the Farm Manager or Executive Director
- Working as part of a larger team of farm and Interpretive staff to promote the positive image of the Musk Ox Farm

TO APPLY:

Please email your resume, cover letter and three recommendations/references to Alyssa
[**alyssa@muskoxfarm.org**](mailto:alyssa@muskoxfarm.org)

Please do not contact the farm, we will contact you. Contacting the farm will not benefit your prospect of being hired.