



Recruitment Announcement for FAIRS COMMISSIONERS

Three **Fairs Commissioner** vacancies will occur March 31, 2012: one position will be filled by a person living west of the Cascades and two who live east of the Cascades. Positions are with the Washington State Department of Agriculture, Fairs Program.

Fairs Commissioners are appointed for three-year terms and serve in an advisory capacity to the Director of Agriculture. Primary responsibilities include evaluating eligible fairs and youth shows, assisting with the allocations made to fairs, and performing other duties that may be required by the Director.

Fairs Commissioners must be available to attend and evaluate participating fairs and attend meetings called by the Department (approx. 20 days a year). In addition, Commissioners must be able to provide their own transportation to visit fairs and participate in official meetings.

To avoid a conflict of interest or the perception of a conflict of interest, Fairs Commissioners should not serve on fair boards or fair management teams while in office.

Fairs Commissioners are entitled to compensation in accordance with state guidelines. Commissioners receive state per diem for their travel and \$50.00 per day for performing assigned duties.

Desirable qualifications for the position are:

- An Education in Agriculture, Home Economics, Education, Business or other related field.
- Knowledge of Washington's agricultural industry, 4-H, FFA, or other youth programs, and the general scope of the fairs industry.
- Knowledge and experience in the fairs industry as an exhibitor, contestant, superintendent, judge, fair board member, 4-H leader or member, FFA teacher or member, or other related activity.
- Experience that would assist in making comprehensive evaluations of fairs, and communicating findings and ideas with the fair people and general public through writing and speaking.

Anyone interested in applying for a Fairs Commissioner position may do so by submitting a resume and letter of interest to:

Kelly Frost
WA Department of Agriculture
Fairs Program
PO Box 42560
Olympia, WA 98504-2560

Email: kfrost@agr.wa.gov
Fax: (360) 902-2092
Telephone: (360) 902-1802

Application packets will also be accepted via electronic mail or by fax, using the information provided above.

Please submit letter of interest and resume by January 27, 2012.