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POSITION: OUTAGE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (OMS) OPERATOR LOCATION: Fergus Falls, MN or one of our Customer Service Centers

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In this role, the Outage Management System Operator will be responsible for field dispatch for Otter Tail Power electrical system outages, internal and external communication leveraging the Company Outage Management System (OMS).

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- Handle inbound and outbound calls for purposes of distribution system restoration (planned and unplanned outages)
- Initial entry, update, and completion of trouble tickets for emergency outage and non-outage conditions on the distribution system.
- · Update outage prediction, which includes combining or splitting outages based on input from field employees or management.
- Coordinate field personnel to respond to outages or other issues on the Company distribution system and when requested by Power System Operators.
- Completing tasks related to customer requests and billing for electric services shall be fulfilled while not actively working planned or unplanned outages

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We're seeking candidates with a wide range of skills who are motivated to deeply understand complex information and effectively communicate their findings while aligning with our core values: Integrity, Community, Safety,

Resourcefulness, Customer Service and People. Some examples of what we're looking for include:

- Associate degree or equivalent work experience in electric utility or office setting or equivalent combination of education and experience.
- One or two years of experience in electrical utility dispatch and knowledge of electrical distribution switching devices and procedures is preferred.
- Must be proficient with Microsoft Software.
- · Requires the ability to work rotating shifts, irregular hours and overtime as assigned.
- Strong oral and written communication skills are required. Selected candidates will be required to complete a pre-interview

assessment.

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POSITION: RENEWABLE ENERGY SPECIALIST

We have an opening for a Renewable Energy Specialist at the Ashtabula, ND wind facility. As a company, we continue to be innovative as we modernize our energy grid, enhance customers' experiences, and work toward a cleaner energy future. Join us!

We are looking for a two-year degree in renewable energy or related field and two years of prior work experience; or four years of related work experience. Individual must be a motivated, self-starter, capable of multitasking and setting priorities with a demonstrated successful track record. Accountable for teaching and leading team members. Must have a DOT medical card or have the ability to obtain a medical card. Must have the ability to become trained in high angle rescue; identify hazards and mitigate risk in various situations and conditions. Qualified applicant will be proficient with heavy equipment operations and maintenance, renewable energy component maintenance and repair intermediate hand tool operation and low medium and high voltage clearance (LOTO) execution. Demonstrated electrical troubleshooting and repair skills, and electrical diagram reading skills. Requires a strong safety culture and must be able to drive safely in all weather and road conditions. Selected candidates will be required to complete a pre-interview assessment.

Successful applicant will execute operating and maintenance methodologies/strategies with respect to the company's longterm renewable assets plan. Maintain, troubleshoot, and repair major components of GE and Vestas wind and solar technology. Coordinate with Operation and Maintenance contractors and ensure appropriate site access. Accountable for site mowing, snow removal, and road maintenance. Will provide afterhours coverage, outage and restoration assistance. Perform NERC generator owner and operations maintenance requirements. Travel may be required. This position will receive overtime.

Employee will be expected to establish residence 90 minutes from the assigned facility.

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tools and/or techniques in developing, managing,

and implementing multiple projects and contracts

Experience leading and coordinating cross-functional

teams and projects and setting priorities in a constantly

o Health insurance plan options

- Training our average employee spends 40 hours in training and development each year! This includes safety - one of our 5 values and key to our success - technical, compliance and developmental training.
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POSITION: PROJECT COORDINATOR LOCATION: Fergus Falls, Minnesota

Description: At Otter Tail Power Company, our employees support the communities we serve by producing reliable, affordable, and environmentally responsible electricity. Everyone has an important role in accomplishing these objectives!

In the Project Coordinator role, the following activities are performed:

- Coordinate cost estimate and forecasts for internal and external projects.
- Facilitate required meetings.
- · Track deliverables for each project identifying and making recommendations to mitigate any risks associated with schedules, resources, filings.

To be successful in this role, we're looking for candidates who possess the following skills and traits:

- There's a lot of innovation in our industry and we want positive, can-do people who are resilient through the challenges that sometimes come with change.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal relationship as you partner with various internal and external teams and stakeholders.
- A bachelor's degree or equivalent experience required; a degree in business or engineering is a plus.
- Project and contract management experience utilizing
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OBITUARIES

Marian J. Grage

Age: 89 From: Fergus Falls, MN Passed Away: Mon., Jan. 8 Where: Lake Region Healthcare, Fergus Falls, MN

Visitation: Fri., Jan. 12, 5-7pm with a prayer service at 6:30pm at Glende-Nilson Funeral Home, Fergus Falls, MN

Funeral Service: Sat., Jan. 13. 11am

Location: Zion-Sarsbog Lutheran Church, Dalton, MN Interment: Sarpsborg Cemetery Funeral Home: Glende-Nilson Funeral Home, Fergus Falls, MN Online condolences may be sent to www.GlendeNilson.com

Myla Burkhardsmeier

From: Fergus Falls, MN Passed Away: Wed., Jan. 10 Where: PioneerCare, Fergus Falls,

Service: Details to follow Online condolences may be sent to www.olsonfuneralhome.com

Donna Dahlen

Age: 62 From: Ashby, MN Passed Away: Wed., Jan. 10 Where: At her home Visitation: Fri., Jan. 19, 2pm at Glende-Nilson Funeral Home, Ashby, MN

Memorial Service: Fri., Jan. 19, 3-4pm Location: Glende-Nilson Funeral Home, Ashby, MN

Funeral Home: Glende-Nilson Funeral Home, Ashby, MN Online condolences may be sent to www.GlendeNilson.com

Darlene Kadel

Age: 77 From: Erhard, MN Passed Away: Sat., Jan. 6 Where: At her home Graveside Service: Mon., Jan., 15, 11am

Location: St. James Catholic Cemetery, rural Underwood, MN Funeral Home: Glende-Nilson **Funeral Home**

Online condolences may be sent to www.GlendeNilson.com

Robert "Andy" Anderson

Age: 96 From: Ashby, MN Passed Away: Thurs., Jan. 11 Where: Ashby Living Center Visitation: Fri., Feb. 16, 5-7pm at Frist Presbyterian Church, Ashby, MN, one hour prior to the service Memorial Service: Sat., Feb. 17, 2pm

Location: First Presbyterian Church, Ashby, MN Interment: Pelican Lake Cemetery, Ashby, MN

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POSITION: CONSTRUCTION MANAGER, TRANSMISSION LINES LOCATION: FERGUS FALLS*, MINNESOTA *This role is eligible for a hybrid remote work schedule.

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In the Construction Manager, Transmission & Substation role, the following activities are performed:

- Lead and supervise the construction of transmission lines or substations on various construction projects.
- Oversee and direct contractors, sub-contractors, utility management and other electrical contractors to ensure facilities are constructed to specifications and high level of workmanship.
- Advise and provide leadership on project costs, Requests For Proposal (RFP), contractor selection and any necessary change orders.
- Drive projects to completion while maintaining a safe work environment, staying on budget and on schedule
- Collaborate with internal teams like Project Engineers and Procurement to determine how to successfully complete projects.
- Develop appropriate project controls and contractor payment methodologies.

To be successful in this role, we're looking for candidates who possess the following skills and traits:

- There's a lot of innovation in our industry and we want positive, can-do people who are resilient through the challenges that sometimes come with change.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal relationship as you partner with various internal and external teams and stakeholders.
- We're looking for someone who can hit the ground running so a general understanding of transmission lines and transmission substation construction is required.
- We have a lot to accomplish so top candidates will be able to independently direct and manage their own and various teams' time and responsibilities.
 Balancing many projects and initiatives will be necessary to succeed.
- Our many internal and external teams and stakeholders will benefit most from a confident and experienced Project Manager.
- Safety is one of our values, so knowledge of OSHA requirements is required.
- PMP Certification or ability and willingness to obtain within a year of position acceptance.

Selected Candidates will be required to complete preinterview assessment.

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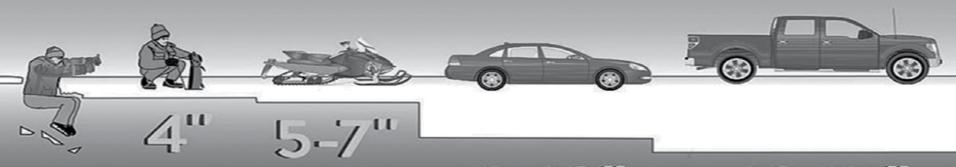
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A DISASTROUS INTRODUCTION

By Bev Johnson, WOT Master Gardener

Buckthorn was originally brought here because it made a nice ornamental hedge. It grows quickly into a dense privacy wall. It holds its leaves well into the winter for a nice late bit of green. It produces lots of fruits that birds love. These are the same reasons that it has become a major problem in our woodlands. The seeds, that the birds love, are a laxative. A bird flies about 1/3 of a mile before it poops them out, happily re-seeding buckthorn as it goes. Restoration ecologist, Alex Roth savs "buckthorn is as tenacious as they come." It is classified as a noxious weed by the Department of Agriculture.

This invader has taken over urban parks, timber stands, oak forests in our north woods and both public and private lands. It damages native ecosystems and reduces biodiversity. Buckthorn replaces native plants. It eliminates food and habitat for mammals, birds and pollinators. It reduces production in timber stands and host pests and diseases affecting soybeans and alfalfa. Scientists are still working to determine how it influences soil erosion and the nutritional availability in the soil.

Getting rid of a few buckthorn shrubs isn't that difficult. You either pull them out or cut them off and give the stem a good drink of brush killer. If it's too big, strip bark off all around the stem and then apply the brush killer. The problem is that the stinker has dropped seeds all around it. They not only replace the shrub you killed but a couple of hundred more. A University of Minnesota ecologist, Mike Shuster says, "in invasive ecology we call it the Lazarus effect. You think you have managed the problem, but it springs back to life.

In 2017, a team at the St. Croix Watershed Research Station, mowed down buckthorn in about 40 acres of woods. They took a "shotgun approach" trying everything they could think

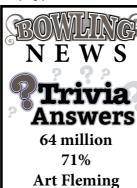
of to see what would work best for keeping buckthorn out. They sprayed buckthorn sprouts with herbicide with some promising results. They spread native plant seeds in one area. Planted elderberry, sugar maple, and rye grasses in another. Planting trees and shrubs and trees in high density was quite effective. They added balsam fir to the maples and elderberry and reduced the buckthorn by more than 80% over 4 years. The few buckthorn that managed to come back were half as tall and had a third fewer leaves. They found that spreading a mat of wildflower seeds and grass, especially ryegrass, reduced the growth and revival of buckthorn by about 77%,

Along the Mississippi river gorge in Minneapolis, volunteers are using a protocol called critical period cutting. This entails cutting the shrubs down to about 4 feet and hacking off any sprouts repeatedly at key times over a couple of years to interrupt the sugar storage from the roots to the rest of the plant. after about 4 cuts, the plant just dies and can be pulled out of the ground.

A University of Minnesota forest pathologist, Robert Blanchette, found places buckthorn was dying from a fungus. This summer, he and some people from the University's Invasive and Terrestrial Plants and Pests Center, (holy cow, they have a lot of specialists at the U), started collecting samples of canker, wilt and root rot fungus. They grew samples of this stuff and have been applying concoctions of it to buckthorn and are waiting to see what happens. If it works, there would be no need for herbicides.

The guys with all these fancy titles admit that we are probably never going to totally eliminate buckthorn but maybe we will be able to, at least, control it.

From an article in the Minnesota Conservation Volunteer by Emily Sohn.



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