POSITION TITLE: Director of Cropping Systems Economics
Associate Director, Center for Commercial Agriculture

NATURE OF POSITION: Extension, non-tenure track

DATE AVAILABLE: Immediately

PRINCIPAL DUTIES:

Purdue University has a long history of strength in the area of farm management outreach, teaching, and research. The successful applicant for this position will play a key role in the department of Agricultural Economics farm management extension program and will also serve as associate director of the newly established Center for Commercial Agriculture. The Center is committed to providing applied research, extension and teaching in farm management targeted toward commercial farming operations. Key responsibilities include working with the Center’s farmer council, providing leadership to key extension programs including the Top Farmer Crop Workshop and the Purdue Farm Management Tour, and developing new high quality extension programs in conjunction with other faculty and staff. In general, the individual will be expected to build a nationally recognized portfolio of extension and applied research activities for commercial agricultural operations with a focus on cropping systems management and economics. The individual will also work to build relationships and extension programs with key production scientists throughout the College of Agriculture.

QUALIFICATIONS:
The candidate must have a Ph.D. in agricultural economics. Demonstrated interest in the economics and management of crop farms is critical, as well as a demonstrated interest in interdisciplinary work. This position requires a strong ability to communicate orally and in writing. Additionally, the individual must be willing to work collaboratively with colleagues in the department and college.

SALARY:
Commensurate with training and experience.

APPLICATION:
A complete application includes a short statement describing extension and research interests, graduate transcripts, a writing sample, address and email information for three references, and a curriculum vitae. A background check is required for employment in this position.

Email application attachments to: Debby Weber, Search Coordinator, at weberdl@purdue.edu. Telephone 765-494-4205.

CLOSING DATE:
Screening of applicants will begin November 30, 2011 and will continue until the position is filled.

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