

**Job Posting****OpenTEAM Technology Project Facilitator****POSITION SUMMARY**

Wolfe's Neck Center is situated on over 600 acres of preserved coastal landscape in Freeport, Maine, and uses its setting to connect people of all ages to the food they eat and where it comes from. Encompassing a demonstration farm, oceanfront campground, wooded trails, and historic buildings, our vibrant campus serves as a unique hub for education and exploration. As a nonprofit, Wolfe's Neck Center draws upon a rich history of innovation and experimentation to continue the legacy of this place today. Through regenerative farming, innovative soil health research, and visitor interactions, this place-based organization is now used as an educational resource to create a healthier planet for all. We hope to inspire active participation in a healthier food system and build a community of people who care deeply about the future of food.

Launched in 2019, with major funding from the Foundation for Food and Agriculture Research, the OpenTEAM collaborative, or Open Technology Ecosystem for Agricultural Management, is a community-driven platform to provide farmers and ranchers around the world with the best possible knowledge to improve soil health. OpenTEAM is a collaborative community of farmers, scientists, researchers, engineers, farm service providers, and food companies that are committed to improving soil health and advancing agriculture's ability to become a solution to climate change. OpenTEAM is coordinated out of and hosted at Wolfe's Neck Center, with leadership provided by the WNC Research Director, who serves as the OpenTEAM Secretariat. The Secretariat coordinates a global community of technology development teams and agricultural networks to improve interoperability, and create new shared software services and tools to increase farmer feedback and increase the value of environmental feedback to farmers and ranchers, researchers, and ecosystem service markets.

ABOUT THE ROLE

OpenTEAM is seeking a Technology Project Facilitator. The ideal candidate should have a proven track record of leading technical development projects with a distributed team, excellent communication skills, an interest in regenerative and sustainable agriculture. Candidates should also have a deep understanding of best web practices, mobile products, and digital strategies. Familiarity with distributed architectures, APIs, libraries, and related services to help facilitate documentation and communication across the OpenTEAM ecosystem is also a plus. This position is envisioned to be full-time and reports to the OpenTEAM Director & Research Director at Wolfe's Neck Center.

OpenTEAM Tech Ecosystem Project Management and Facilitation

- Manage and support a distributed group of community members, working on various tech aspects of the OpenTEAM tech ecosystem
- Facilitate and lead work streams across multiple organizations and support their efforts toward meeting established milestones against OpenTEAM deliverables

- Facilitate regular technical team meetings for both established work packages as well as through the paired work session discovery process as needed to determine progress and address any questions or challenges regarding projects
- Help teams define clear deliverables, roles and responsibilities within OpenTEAM's distributed tech ecosystem
- Improve and help working groups visualize and execute within the context of the OpenTEAM ecosystem
- Write clean, simple project documentation
- Create and facilitate the use of repeatable, predictable project processes across the tech community membership
- Establish and implement orientations and onboarding strategies for new tech community members
- Help members stitch existing communication and documentation platforms together to facilitate communication pathways over time.

OpenTEAM Online Community Platform Development

- Support and manage the buildout of a cohesive community platform that enables cross-pollination between communities of practice (research, design, farm and ranch, ag value chain partners and tech communities) and includes elements such as a registry of data set registries, visualization of the social and technical ecosystem, a clearly defined map for accessing tech tools, kumu and gitlab entry points, and community member profiles.
- Help develop a strategy to support future improvements to increase interoperability across multiple community platforms already in use

SKILLS & QUALIFICATIONS

- Experience managing technology projects
- Effectively communicate with stakeholders: technical, non-technical, internal and external
- Thrive working on projects in parallel
- Ability to work independently and in a distributed team environment
- Have exceptional time and project management skills (PMP, PRINCE2 or Scrum Master certifications are a plus but not a prerequisite)
- Have a passion for technology as it relates to more equitable food and agriculture systems
- Dynamically prioritize workload in order to deliver in complex scenarios
- Ability to understand technical components on a wide range implementation types and act decisively to ensure outcomes
- Experience delivering agricultural tech products preferred
- Some JavaScript, JSON, or related experience preferred

COMPENSATION

The OpenTEAM Technology Project Facilitator is a full-time, year-round position. Compensation is commensurate with experience.

TO APPLY

Please email a cover letter and resume to jobs@wolfesneck.org with **OpenTEAM Technology Project Facilitator** as the subject line. In the interest of reducing waste, please do not mail a hard copy of your materials. Interested applicants are encouraged to apply ASAP. This position will be posted until it is filled but application materials received by January 15 will be given preference. Please, no phone calls.

OpenTEAM and Wolfe's Neck Center for Agriculture & the Environment do not discriminate on the basis of any protected category. Applicants are selected based on their ability to perform the essential functions of the job, prior related work experience, and references from previous employers.