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Botanist

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Botanists study one of the foundations of life on Earth: plants! They investigate how plants grow, reproduce, evolve, and interact with other living things.

Without plants, humans and other animals essentially would have no food and little oxygen to breathe. Bureau of Land Management (BLM) botanists study how environmental stressors and human activities affect plants on public lands. The health of native plants has a direct impact on the vitality of other life forms. Invasive plant species are a particular focus area for BLM botanists, as these intruders can upset the delicate balance of healthy habitats.

You can find botanists working in the field, using microscopes in a lab, or designing experiments in a greenhouse. Botanists' work is vital to the health and productivity of the public lands.

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