Forestry Technician  
(Various Locations Statewide)

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources is seeking several service oriented forestry technicians to fill vacancies around the state. This is an opportunity to join the many men and women dedicated to the protection and sustainable management of Wisconsin’s forests and become part of a nationally recognized forestry program.

These positions reflect different combinations of duties that are based on forest type and fire risk landscapes. Duties encompass the following four integrated program areas: public lands management, private lands management, county forests management, and fire management. Forestry technicians provide a wide range of services that include: prepare timber sales, prepare and recommend reforestation plans; control insect and disease attacks; perform fire preparedness, suppression, prevention, and training; operate and maintain fire control heavy equipment.

Starting salary for a forestry technician is $16.61 per hour plus an excellent benefits package. A 12 month probationary period is required. A required application and assessment is posted at [http://wisc.jobs/public/job_view.asp?annoid=92294&jobid=91808&org=370&class=90770&index=true](http://wisc.jobs/public/job_view.asp?annoid=92294&jobid=91808&org=370&class=90770&index=true)

Application deadline is Sunday, August 13, 2017 by 11:59 p.m. Applicants that pass the exam will be contacted and invited for a brief phone interview, the week of August 28th. The candidates who best meet our qualifications after the phone interviews will be contacted the week of September 4th to schedule a face to face interview. In person interviews are conducted as part of an assessment center which will be held the week of September 25, 2017 in Wisconsin. The anticipated start date for employment will be November 13, 2017.

All Forestry Technician candidates must meet medical and physical fitness standards, possess and maintain a valid driver’s license, meet requirements to operate a state vehicle, and travel independently and on a timely basis. Obtain and maintain a commercial driver’s license (CDL) within the first 6 months of employment. Complete details on medical and physical fitness requirements and testing procedures will be sent to candidates that are invited to interviews. Forestry Technician positions with fireline responsibilities require that job holders meet and maintain annually the physical requirements of this position as a condition of employment. Some positions with fireline responsibilities are required to respond, when directed, within 30 minutes to the work station for emergency situations.

Qualified candidates will possess a combination of technical and interpersonal skills. These positions require knowledge with applied forestry management techniques and practices including: forestry data collection, tree and site identification, forest regeneration assessment, forest aesthetics, silvics, and pest identification and control procedures. Knowledge of basic forest fire management and suppression skills including: map reading, legal descriptions, safety procedures, suppression tools and use. Techniques and skills needed to conduct maintenance on fire suppression equipment and facilities, and radio communication, equipment, and generally accepted procedures. These positions also require effective communication skills, excellent customer service, effective decision making, and strong leadership skills in dealing with colleagues, partners, customers and the general public through individual correspondence, one-on-one meetings, and group presentations. We are looking for people with a drive for success and a desire to make a lasting contribution to their community.


If you have any questions or have problems accessing the assessment, please contact Julie Jaksa at 608-266-0520 or Julie.jaksa@wisconsin.gov.

Join the many men and women dedicated to the protection and sustainable management of Wisconsin’s forests. The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources is committed to providing equal employment opportunity to all job applicants and employees. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply.