

Forest Technician-Rappahannock District

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- Greene, Virginia, United States
- Madison, Virginia, United States, 22727
- Orange, Virginia, United States, 22960
- Department of Forestry
- Applied Sciences and Natural Resources
- Full-Time (Salaried)
- Closing at: Jun 19 2024 at 23:55 EDT
- Department of Forestry

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Title: Forest Technician-Rappahannock District

State Role Title: Natural Resource Specialist II

Hiring Range: \$37,000.00-\$45,000.00 w state benefits

Pay Band: 4

Agency: Department of Forestry

Location: Central Office Fauquier

Agency Website: www.dof.virginia.gov

Recruitment Type: General Public - G

Job Duties

The Virginia Department of Forestry is seeking to hire a Forest Technician for our Rappahannock District in the Central Region. Forest Technicians spend most of their time outdoors responding to forest fires and providing technical forestry assistance to landowners, loggers, and forestry professionals.

Duties include, but are not limited to:

-Preventing and suppressing wildland fires, including enforcing Virginia's fire laws

- Ensuring equipment is maintained and ready to respond to wildland fires or other emergency response events
- Assisting homeowners and communities with reducing the potential threat from fire through proper wildfire preparation
- Inspecting logging jobs for compliance with Virginia's Silvicultural Water Quality Law
- Assisting loggers, timber buyers, and forestry professionals with pre-harvest planning and providing Best Management Practices (BMP) recommendations
- Assisting foresters with GPS mapping, data collection, and other forest management related activities
- Educating the general public of the benefits of trees and forests

Location: This position will be focused on providing agency services in Madison, Green, Orange, and Spotsylvania Counties within DOF's Rappahannock District. This position is part of the Rappahannock District, which includes the counties of Arlington, Culpeper, Fairfax, Fauquier, Greene, Loudoun, Madison, Orange, Prince William, Rappahannock, Spotsylvania, and Stafford, and the cities of Manassas, Manassas Park, Fredericksburg, Alexandria, Fairfax, and Falls Church.

This position is 100% mobile. However, there are designated DOF offices located in Warrenton and Madison that can be used as needed. A take home state-owned vehicle, laptop, smartphone, and mobile printer will be provided. Within 6 months of hire, the chosen candidate must reside in Madison, Culpeper, or Rappahannock County.

Minimum Qualifications

Knowledge of forestry best management practices, knowledge of forestry data collection techniques; familiar with basic forest management practices; experience or training in wildland fire or prescribed burning; experience in natural resource work; ability to effectively communicate in both oral and written formats, ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with cooperating agencies, the private sector, and the general public; ability to work independently and in remote locations; ability to negotiate different types of forested and rough terrain on foot and in all types of weather; experience with and ability to use a PC and Microsoft Office software.

Additional Considerations

Experience in technical or professional natural resource work; completion of S-130 (basic firefighter) and S-190 (introduction to fire behavior); experience with heavy equipment operation.

Special Instructions

You will be provided a confirmation of receipt when your application and/or résumé is submitted successfully. Please refer to “Your Application” in your account to check the status of your application for this position.

Must obtain Commercial Driver's License (Class B with air brakes endorsement) and Virginia Pesticide Applicators License within 12 months of employment. Must pass moderate physical fitness test annually per federal guidelines. The test consists of walking 2 miles carrying a 25-pound pack within 30 minutes. As a responder to wildfires must be willing and able to be on-call during Spring and Fall fire seasons (periods of leave are permitted). Selected candidate is required to pass a criminal background check and a drug test.

Contact Information

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In support of the Commonwealth’s commitment to inclusion, we are encouraging individuals with disabilities to apply through the Commonwealth Alternative Hiring Process. To be considered for this opportunity, applicants will need to provide their AHP Letter (formerly COD) provided by the Department for Aging & Rehabilitative Services (DARS), or the Department for the Blind & Vision Impaired (DBVI). Service-Connected Veterans are encouraged to answer Veteran status questions and submit their disability documentation, if applicable, to DARS/DBVI to get their AHP Letter. Requesting an AHP Letter can be found at [AHP Letter](#) or by calling DARS at 800-552-5019.

Note: Applicants who received a Certificate of Disability from DARS or DBVI dated between April 1, 2022- February 29, 2024, can still use that COD as applicable documentation for the Alternative Hiring Process.

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