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Forester II (GFTL)

Pay Grade 15

Salary

\$4,253.50 - \$5,600.40 Monthly

Employment Type

EXECUTIVE BRANCH | FULL TIME | ELIGIBLE FOR OVERTIME PAY | 18A | 37.5 HR/WK

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Hiring Agency

Energy & Environment Cabinet | Department for Natural Resources

Location

625 Hospital Dr

Madisonville, KY 42431 USA

The agency may authorize the selected candidate to telecommute. The agency may terminate or modify the telecommuting arrangement at any time.

Description

The mission of the Kentucky Energy & Environment Cabinet (EEC) is to improve the quality of life for all Kentuckians by protecting our land, air, and water resources by utilizing our natural resources in an environmentally conscientious manner. We do this by helping families connect with nature and preserving the Commonwealth's natural heritage; and by supporting innovative, resilient, and sustainable energy solutions that together bring economic benefit to the commonwealth.

If you are looking for a positive work environment and a career where you can make a difference in the environment we live in, then EEC is the cabinet for you. For more information on what our cabinet has to offer, check out our YouTube page <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCWSuC43XqIHchYeQ66tP7tg> and our Careers page <https://eec.ky.gov/Pages/careers.aspx>

This is a grant funded time-limited (GFTL) position. This means it is a position that is paid entirely as the result of a grant. The duration of employment shall not exceed the life of the grant that funds the position. An employee appointed to a GFTL position is required to meet the minimum requirements for the classification. Further, an employee appointed to a GFTL position is designated as an unclassified (non-merit) employee. A GFTL employee is eligible to receive benefits at the same level as a classified (merit) employee in a permanent position.

By joining the Division of Forestry/Madisonville Branch as a Forester II in Hopkins County, you will have the opportunity to significantly contribute to ensuring the programmatic integrity of numerous forestry-related programs, and the consistent delivery of services to the public. During the performance of your assigned duties, you will interact on a daily/weekly basis with not only the public, but with branch personnel, branch management, and the division's program staff.

Holders of the Forester II position will complete tasks such as:

- Collects landowner data in the field for technical forest inventories, and conducts landowner surveys and tornado damaged forest inventories that follow USDA Forest Service data collection procedures.
- Processes and analyzes landowner data collected by forest inventories by following forest stewardship program procedures. Writes recommendations for forest stewardship plans and practice plans for landowners who received tornado damage to their forestlands.
- Initiates and assists landowners with the implementation of on-the-ground forestry practices to be completed by the KDF Tornado Relief Strike Team.
- Assists with marking of forest stand improvement, timber harvesting practices, and reforestation plantings.
- Supervises and assists in fire suppression and prevention, prescribed fire, and all-risk emergency response. Assists in training all of the Forest Ranger Technicians on the KDF Tornado Relief Strike Team.

Desired candidates possess the following requisite skills or experience applicable to the position:

- Ability to work independently
- Effective communication, organization, and documentation skills
- Proficient knowledge and use of information technology

EEC provides opportunities for development and upward movement. There is room to grow your skill set as you build your career. Come join our team and make an impact in the future of Kentucky. We look forward to reviewing your application.

Minimum Requirements

**EDUCATION:** Graduate of a college or university with a bachelor's degree in forestry.

**EXPERIENCE, TRAINING, OR SKILLS:** Must have two years of professional experience in forestry.

**Substitute EDUCATION for EXPERIENCE:** A master's degree in forestry will substitute for the required experience.

**Substitute EXPERIENCE for EDUCATION:** NONE

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS (AGE, LICENSURE, REGULATION, ETC.):** Must possess a valid driver's license prior to appointment in this classification. Must be at least 21 years of age.

Must maintain any required licensure(s), certification(s), or other credentials for the length of employment in this classification. Employing agency is responsible for ensuring employee possess and maintains required licensure(s), certification(s) or other credentials.

Working Conditions

Work is typically performed outdoors on private forest lands. Work can be under adverse conditions due to weather, topography, or when suppressing wild land fires. Adverse conditions could be present when assisting in all-risk emergency response when mobilized.

Work also involves frequent contact with citizens and organizations in the promotion of forestry programs. Duties are typically performed within the Commonwealth of Kentucky; however, some functions may occur in other states.

If you have questions about this advertisement, please contact Stephen Hammond at [stephend.hammond@ky.gov](mailto:stephend.hammond@ky.gov) or 270-824-7527.

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