INTRODUCTION

May fill position as Forest Ranger I, L23A, Level I

BASIC PURPOSE

Positions in this job family are assigned responsibilities in the prevention and suppression of wildfires and in the performance of technical forest management work related to the delivery of the division’s cooperative forestry programs.

LEVEL DESCRIPTORS

This job family consists of four levels which are distinguished based on the complexity of assigned duties, the level of expertise required to complete assigned work, and the responsibility assigned for providing leadership to others.

Level I: This is the basic level of this job family where employees are assigned responsibilities, which primarily involve participating in the prevention and suppression of wildland fires, the operation and maintenance of firefighting equipment, and the maintenance and
construction of forestry facilities. Some responsibilities may also be assigned for providing training and assistance or guidance to volunteer fire crews or serving as Single Resource Boss or as the Incident Commander for low complexity wildland fires.

**Level I:**
This is the career level of this job family where employees are assigned to serve as the Incident Commander in the suppression of moderately complex wildland fires, to serve a leading role while conducting fire prevention activities and for the operation and maintenance of equipment or the construction of facilities. In this role employees have responsibilities to plan an appropriate and safe strategy for suppressing wildfires, ensure the safety of personnel and volunteer fire fighters assigned to the fire and to assign work related to the resources on the fire. Other duties may include serving in a leading role on various fire prevention and facilities/equipment maintenance activities.

**Level II:**
This is the advanced level of the job family where employees perform a full range of forest technician assignments and uses considerable independent judgement in making decisions requiring the interpretation and application of guidelines with considerable latitude to specific situations. Employees are expected to conduct standing tree inventories, calculate volumes, mark standing timber, locate property lines, distinguish and map timber types, diagnose common insect and disease problems, conduct seedling survival surveys and perform other technical forestry work as assigned. Employees at this level will also be assigned as a Prescribed Fire Burn Boss, Level 2 (RXB2), as an Incident Commander managing multiple resources, strike teams, and/or task forces in the suppression of complex wildland fires, or as a member of Command and General Staff of the Forestry Division Incident Management Team. Other responsibilities include providing functional supervision to other employees, volunteer fire fighters, and others in various fire suppression and/or prevention activities.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS**

**Level I:**
Education and Experience requirements at this level consist of one year of forestry-related work, or fire prevention and suppression work, or experience operating logging, earth-moving, or farm equipment or an equivalent combination of education and experience.

NOTE: Must be able to pass a Forestry Services administered reading and writing comprehension test to be eligible for employment.

**Level II:**
Education and Experience requirements at this level consist of completion of training and qualification as a National Wildland Coordinating Group Type 4 Incident Commander and two years of experience in forestry or wildland fire suppression, or completion of an
approved, agency directed Forest Technician training program; or an equivalent combination of education and experience.

**Level III:**

Education and Experience requirements at this level consist of those identified in Level II plus an Associate’s degree in forest technology, forestry or forest management; or completion of three courses in forestry at the college level and qualification as a National Wildland Coordinating Group Type 4 Incident Commander, plus certification as a National Wildfire Coordinating Group Prescribed Fire Burn Boss, Type 2 (RXB2) and two years of experience performing technical forestry work or wildland fire suppression; or completion of an approved, agency directed Forest Technician training program; or an equivalent combination of education and experience.

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENT**

Must obtain a CDL license within 6 months of employment. Must pass pre-hire drug test and physical exam prior to appointment. Must pass a job-related Work Capacity Test within three months and maintain annually. Must reside or within six months of employment establish residence within a 15-mile radius of designated hiring point.

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