**TITLE**

Natural Resources Program Technician (Tree Improvement)

**LOCATION**

Division: Arkansas Forestry Commission
Department: Tree Improvement Complex
Location: Nevada County/Bluff City

**ANNUAL SALARY**

Entry Level Salary: $29,046
Grade GS04
Position #: 22158514

**APPLICATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY:**

June 24, 2019

**STATE’S MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:**

**Education/experience requirements:**

- The equivalent of a high school diploma.
- Three years of field experience in wildlife or fisheries management or forestry or land management.

**Knowledge of:**

- The equipment and techniques used to maintain buildings, grounds and equipment.
- Tree grafting and breeding.
- Proper reporting methods.
- State purchasing procedures.
- Proper application procedures for fertilizers and pesticides.

**Ability to:**

- Maintain seed orchard grafts, plant pot grafts, inventory, prune, & paint.
- Maintain seed orchards.
- Breed tree crosses to include bagging, pollen collection, pollination, de-bagging, inventory, cone harvest & seed processing.
- Maintain equipment.
- Maintain facility and grounds.
- Make minor mechanical repairs and welding.
- Supervise contract labor crew during production cone harvest.
- Grow crops in the greenhouse.
- Prepare, plant and maintain progeny tests.
- Meet all safety codes and regulations.

**Preferred Qualifications:**

- Require experience in forestry, horticulture or plant science related field.
- Experience in operating farm tractors and equipment
- Experience in operating dozer and forklift
- Experience in operating JLG man lifts and/or bucket trucks
- Experience in working at heights of as much as 80 feet
- Occasional in state travel with limited out of state travel
- Exposure to adverse weather conditions