
Timber Management Forester (Service Forester)(Job Id 13129)

Location: Custer

Post Date: 11/13/2019

Agency: Game Fish & Parks

Close Date: 12/04/2019

Employment Type: Permanent Employee

Description

Job ID: 13129

Agency: Department of Game, Fish and Parks; Division of Parks and Recreation

Location: Custer State Park

Salary: \$17.13 - \$22.80 per hour, depending on experience

Pay Grade: GH

This is a full-time position with the Department of Game, Fish and Parks. For more information about the Department of Game, Fish and Parks, please visit <http://gfp.sd.gov/>.

This position will be a member of an integrated resource management team of forestry, wildlife, bison, range and wildland fire natural resource professionals. Custer State Park has over 71,000 ac of managed lands and maintains active natural resource management programs. This is a unique opportunity to gain a valuable and diverse set of skills; such as implementation, coordinate, and administration of forestry activities and programs within Custer State Park. As a Timber Management Forester, you would provide educational information to ensure effective conservation practices related to trees and forests and the protection of the state's resources. Duties include timber sale preparation and administration, log scaling, non-commercial thinning setup and administration, forest inventory, wildland fire suppression, hazard tree ID and removal, timber sale cleanup, and assisting with writing stand level forestry prescriptions. The incumbent will also be encouraged to participate in wildland fire fighting and pile burning activities.

Must be able to work independently; and traverse distances over one mile on uneven terrain and work in outdoor forested areas for extended periods of time through a variety of environmental conditions.

Licenses and Certifications:

A valid driver's license is required, and the incumbent must be able to obtain a Class B commercial driver's license (CDL) within 90 days of hire date to retain employment; and will be subject to pre-employment, random, reasonable suspicion, post-accident, follow-up, and return-to-duty drug and alcohol testing.

The Ideal Candidate Will Have:

Wildland fire training and experience are preferred.

Knowledge of:

- basic principles and practices of silviculture;
- principles, practices, and methods of forest management;
- forest mensuration and harvesting;
- dendrology, arboriculture; biology; biometrics, and botany;
- forest ecology, entomology, and pathology;
- geographic information systems (GIS);

- hydrology and plant physiology;
- range and wildland fire management.

Skill to:

- use forestry tools for measuring purposes;
- deal tactfully with others;
- communicate effectively;
- implement and enforce South Dakota's forestry Best Management Practices (BMPs).

Ability to:

- conduct literature and technical reference searches;
- compile and analyze information and data and draw sound and reasonable conclusions;
- use and interpret topographic maps;
- use Microsoft Office products to include Word, Outlook, Access, and Power Point;
- use digital graphic software, mapping programs, and GPS information including uploading and down loading;
- write professional and technical reports that can be understood by both professional and lay persons.

VETERANS' PREFERENCE ELIGIBLE

NCRC: If you possess a National Career Readiness Certificate, please submit the certificate with your application. For more information on how to acquire a National Career Readiness Certificate contact a South Dakota Department of Labor and Regulation Job Service Office. A certificate is not necessary to be considered.

The State of South Dakota does not sponsor work visas for new or existing employees. All persons hired will be required to verify identity and eligibility to work in the United States and complete an Employment Eligibility Verification, Form I-9.

The State of South Dakota offers paid employee health insurance plus ten paid holidays, generous vacation leave accrual, and medical, dental, vision, and other benefits. For more information please visit <https://bhr.sd.gov/job-seekers/work-for-state-government/>. This position is a member of Class A retirement under SDRS.

Apply at: <https://scssdlmprod.agilera.net/lm/xmlhttp/shorturl.do?key=3ZB>

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