



Mt. Adams Resource Stewards

## **Position Announcement: Forester/Forestry Tech Positions (1-2) Open until filled**

**Duration:** Full-time, seasonal (estimated through late November) with strong potential for one position to become year-round dependent on funding/work availability. These are positions that we anticipate hiring for in future years as well.

**Duty location:** Carson or Trout Lake, WA

**Salary and benefits:** This is a full-time position based off of a 40-hour work week with an hourly wage of \$17.36 to \$26.31/hour depending on experience (closely following federal salary schedule at the GS-5, step 1 to GS-9, step 1 levels). MARS offers a simple IRA retirement plan after 6 months of continuous employment.

**Closing date: OPEN UNTIL FILLED with a desire for applicant to begin work by mid-May 2022.**

Mt. Adams Resource Stewards (MARS), a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization founded in 2004, is seeking 1-2 exceptionally motivated and technically skilled foresters/forestry technicians to work closely with the US Forest Service in expanding a growing partnership on the Gifford Pinchot National Forest (GPNF). The successful candidate(s) will work with MARS and GPNF staff to expand field capacity in support of the US Forest Service's stewardship and timber sale program by assisting with pre-sale/sale preparation, sale administration and stand exam tasks primarily on national forest system lands. The position(s) represent an excellent opportunity to practice and/or hone field forestry skills typical of federal stewardship/timber programs via a unique collaborative effort between a community-based forestry organization and a federal agency.

Strong field forestry skills are required as specific tasks are likely to include:

Presale related:

- Perform timber and stewardship sale boundary layout, considering environmental assessment design criteria, logging systems/operability, economic viability, stand conditions and objectives, etc. Utilize Forest Service marking guides to implement site specific silvicultural prescriptions. May utilize Forest Service "DxP" and "DxD" prescriptive methods as well as more conventional leave and cut-tree marking. Will identify areas of no treatment (skips, no-cut buffers, etc) and heavier treatment (heavy thins, gaps, etc).
- Identify logging system breaks and be able to accurately map them for appraisal purposes.
- Field verify and identify temporary road locations to facilitate harvest unit operations.
- Cruise timber using Forest Service and Region 6 specific cruising methods and standards.
- GPS traversing of timber and stewardship sale boundaries.
- Painting and tagging timber and stewardship sale boundaries.
- Utilize Esri software (ArcMap, ArcPro, etc) to make work maps as necessary.
- Utilize tablets and resource grade GPS hardware and software.

Sale Admin related:

- Assist Forest Service Timber Sale Administrators with compliance on timber and stewardship sales: recommending skid trail and skyline corridors for approval, tallying additional volume, assisting with inspections on stewardship service items, etc.

Stand Exam related:

- Install stand exam plots across a wide range of vegetation types; collecting stand and site data (species, stocking, diameters, heights, plant assoc, etc) to be used in future environmental analysis.

There will likely be an opportunity outside of the field season for one successful applicant to continue year-round providing support to the Gifford Pinchot N.F. or Mt. Adams Resource Stewards on additional/special projects that serve to advance USFS needs or Mt. Adams Resource Stewards' efforts that focus on community-based natural resource management strategies to advance our mission of sustainable connections between the land and local communities across one of the more spectacular landscapes in the Pacific Northwest. More can be learned about MARS at [www.mtadamsstewards.org](http://www.mtadamsstewards.org).

### **Desired Qualifications**

- Practical and successful experience as a field forester/forestry technician that demonstrates knowledge, skills and abilities necessary to perform tasks described above;
- Familiarity with public lands management, especially US Forest Service stewardship and timber sale programs;
- Excellent work ethic in support of meeting program tasks and deliverables;
- Strong communication skills, including writing abilities, that can support constructive and positive collaborations with project partners and other staff;
- Willingness to endure potentially strenuous work in the field under adverse weather conditions;
- Two- or four-year college degree in relevant field such as forestry, natural resource management, etc.

Interested applicants should submit a cover letter, resume and three references to:

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