

# Position Title:Inventory / GIS Forester, Southern and Eastern U.S.Location:Regional Office, South CarolinaReports to:Regional Manager

### **KEY FUNCTION OF POSITION:**

Provide support for all aspects of forest inventory & GIS activities to support regional operations, US South and Northeast Hardwoods, in a manner that ensures client goals and objectives are met regarding financial returns, capital preservation, compliance, and environmental stewardship.

### SUMMARY OF DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Administrative responsibilities include participating in the process for contracting with third-parties to perform forestry inventory, GIS data acquisition, and related services (prospectus preparation, identification of qualified/licensed contractors or consultants, bid analysis, negotiations, contract setup and compliance monitoring).
- Actively participate in the implementation and utilization of ArcGIS and the Forest Management System (FMS) – Land Resource Manager, a Trimble product. Manage & incorporate information as needed to update maps regarding forest typing, tract and stand boundaries, inventory depletions, steam and road network classification and delineation. Conduct internal training of operational foresters in Southern and Eastern U.S. as needed when FMS or ArcGIS system updates.
- Timely update of GIS and Inventory databases to reflect forestry operations. Conduct spatial data editing using ESRI ArcGIS editing tools.
- Satisfy GIS and reporting requests related to daily needs of operational forestry staff.
- Ensure that corporate data standards and data consistency are achieved.
- Coordinate with the internal Resource Information group to update and enhance existing systems to better meet the needs of local forestry operations staff.
- Implement the annual cruise plan through the management of in-house and third-party contract cruising efforts. Perform check cruising and applicable data quality control checks.
- Periodic annual visits to each timberland property located in multiple states that are supported by this position.
- Monitor expenditures and production levels closely to comply with budget/forecast targets. Participate in the annual budgeting and monthly "Forward Look" processes, as needed.
- Ensure appropriate notifications, permits and easements have been obtained and reviewed with contractor before work begins.

- Maintain full and appropriate compliance with applicable Federal, State and Local regulations, Licensing Standards, Forest Practice laws, SFI Standards and Best Management Practices.
- Stay abreast of industry technology and trends; attend meetings, as necessary.
- Support and participate fully in local SFI program.
- Ensure that environmental or financial risk management reporting is provided in a timely and professional manner to Area Manager and, if appropriate, local Safety Coordinator.
- Respond to internal and external information requests in conjunction with management and team members.
- Actively participate within the organization to ensure all timberland management investment services meet or exceed client commitments.
- Represent the company at all levels, maintaining positive public relations.
- Other duties as assigned.

## **QUALIFICATIONS FOR POSITION:**

- A Bachelor or Masters of Science Degree in Forest Management, Forest Engineering or Forest Operations Management.
- Minimum of three years of relevant work experience in the timber industry or equivalent field.

## **EXPERIENCE AND KNOWLEDGE REQUIRED/PREFERRED:**

- Working knowledge of forestry, forest inventory and mensuration, and logging activities.
- Demonstrated proficiency with ESRI ArcGIS software. Knowledge of Land Resource Manager program, SQL and relational databases desirable.
- Must have good research and analytical skills.
- Demonstrated competency with interpersonal skills.
- Good written and oral communication skills.
- Good computer and software application skills, especially MS Outlook, Excel, Access, and Word. Programming experience desirable.
- Familiarity with T-Cruise and regionally appropriate growth and yield models a plus.
- Valid Driver's License and good driving record.
- Ability to work in the outdoors over rough, uneven terrain in all weather conditions required.
- Ability to lift up to 50 pounds.

## **BENEFITS:**

- Medical, vision and dental insurance
- Paid vacation, sick time, and holidays
- 401k with employer match
- Company-paid life insurance
- Short- and long-term disability insurance
- Flexible spending accounts
- Annual bonus program
- Ongoing education opportunities

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