Announcement - CONTRACT Position:

**Forest Technician (Part-time)**

**CONTRACT POSITION**

Forest Carbon Works ([www.forestcarbonworks.org](http://www.forestcarbonworks.org)) is contracting for the position of a Forest Technician located in the Pacific Northwest, U.S. starting in fall 2021. The position is for temporary contractual work with potential for a longer term position.

The Forest Technician will assist with the Forest Carbon Works platform, an innovative new service which helps small landowners access the carbon market. The Technician’s primary responsibility will be to collect forest information using our smartphone inventory device. The Technician will travel independently to various assigned properties throughout Pacific Northwest and possibly nearby states to collect forest inventory information. Collecting forest inventory information will mostly consist of taking photos of trees using the device in various places (plots) on each property.

The Technician will communicate directly with assigned landowners to arrange a property visit and schedule inventory work. The Technician will work remotely with staff members that are located in Minneapolis, Minnesota. The Technician will regularly communicate and report to staff via phone or email with occasional in-person correspondences (in Pacific Northwest and surrounding regions).

Specific tasks will include traveling to property sites; correspondence with client landowners; collection of forest inventory information using a smartphone device on all assigned plots; regular communication with program staff. Frequent and sometimes extended, overnight travel to property sites within the Pacific Northwest region is required. The Technician is required to have a reliable vehicle for work-related travel. Applicants will attend a remote training session led by Forest Carbon Works staff and complete an online quiz.

Technicians are paid $250 to $325+ per day (more details upon hire). The Technician will have input as to which properties they want to be assigned. Input and assignment of properties will occur via the Forest Carbon Works online platform. The Technician will have the opportunity to work as many or as few hours as they choose depending on their availability, preferences, and the availability of properties to work on. Once a Technician is assigned a property, it is expected that inventory work is completed in a timely manner.

This is a part-time, at-will position. It is expected that the Technician will have other sources of work and is not completely dependent on this role for employment. While there is a pipeline of properties
to work on, overall availability of properties is subject to fluctuation. It must be understood that this is at-will employment and work is not necessarily guaranteed.

This position is ideal for someone looking for a flexible work schedule, has experience using smartphones, and has spent time in the forests of Pacific Northwest. This position is also ideal for forestry, environmental science, and natural resource students who are looking to get some experience in the field.

**Qualifications**

- Possess a high school diploma equivalent or higher
- Proficient in use of smartphone technology, digital cameras, and GPS devices
- Feel comfortable working alone and safely in large forests for long periods of time
- Enjoy spending time outside in the forests of Pacific Northwest
- Comfortable working in brush, undergrowth, and thickly forested areas
- Comfortable working/camping in a variety of conditions including rain and extreme temperatures
- Willing and able to camp overnight for 2-4 days (possess proper gear)
- Able and willing to work long field days in rugged terrain
- Possess a valid driver’s license
- Possess a vehicle capable of driving various distances throughout the Pacific Northwest region
- Able to take direction and communicate (via phone and email) with team members
- Feel comfortable communicating and arranging schedules with landowners via online portal and in person
- Organized and attentive to detail
- Able to manage their time effectively
- Can work alone efficiently
- Feel comfortable meeting time sensitive deadlines and work quotas
- Possess willingness and drive to troubleshoot and solve minor technology issues on-the-fly
- Have the ability to memorize and replicate basic measurement procedures
- Know how to use a compass and/or have experience with orienteering
- Possess their own field gear including but not limited to
  - hiking boots, camping gear, reflective/safety clothing (hunting)
- Have insurance as required by law
- Have interest in ecosystem conservation, natural resources, or environmental protection
- Previous field experience in Pacific Northwest of at least 3 years is a strong preference
● Experience with forest mensuration techniques is a plus
● Experience with troubleshooting smartphone technical issues is a plus
● Familiarity with regional tree species is a plus
● A Bachelor’s degree in forestry or other environmental fields is a plus

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

● This is a temporary, contracted position with potential for a longer term position
● This is a part-time at-will position
● This position does not offer benefits, vacation, or paid leave
● The position will start in October 2021 (subject to change)
● There will be no reimbursement for fuel, travel time, or lodging
● The position allows for independent work on one’s own schedule
● The position will require approximately 10-50 hours of work time per week, depending on availability of Technician and availability of properties
● This position requires attending a mandatory online training session, followed by a training quiz and a completion of test plots

INTERESTED CANDIDATES SHOULD SUBMIT

● An application on our website (https://forestcarbonworks.org/join-our-team/)
● CV or resume.

Please fill out an application on our website:

https://forestcarbonworks.org/join-our-team/

Submissions will be accepted until the position is filled.

Forest Carbon Works is an equal opportunity employer and strongly encourages applicants from diverse backgrounds.