State Lands Lead Forester, NRS2/NRS1 (In-Training)
Recruitment #2023-6-7125
Full-time, Permanent, Represented position
Location: Olympic Region- Forks, WA.
Salary: $3,700 - $5,615 Monthly

CLOSING DATE EXTENDED! Review of applications is ongoing. The hiring authority reserves the right to make a hiring decision or close this recruitment at any time after June 15. It is in the applicant’s best interest to submit material as soon as possible.

Want to join something GREAT and make a difference?
This position works as a member of a team of foresters under the supervision of the Unit Coordinator. The incumbent works independently part of the time, but has regular interaction with foresters, forest engineers, other natural resource professionals as well as other agency/organization members and the general public. This position has split responsibilities between timber sale layout and timber sale contract administration. During timber sales layout this position is responsible for the field design of timber sale proposals including harvest unit design, initial road location, and selection of harvest methods. Work includes the completion of presales documentation packets, containing maps, informational reports and environmental documents. While serving as a contract administrator for DNR timber sales and road plan contracts, this position ensures all contract requirements and payments are met and ensures harvest activities are compliant with the applicable policies and laws. The position also must respond to public and other agency requests relative to state lands management within the district.

Duties
Responsibilities:

- Develop and implement all timber sales assigned from the harvest schedule
- Analyze, evaluate, and identify habitat location, stream typing/location, potentially unstable slopes, transportation system needs, and harvest system requirements.
- Consult with appropriate professionals with expertise in wildlife, geology, hydrology, engineering, and cultural resources as needed.
- Perform duties of the contract administrator on timber sales ensuring all contract requirements and payments are met and all harvest activities are compliant with the applicable policies and laws.
- Monitor forest roads and transportation system structures within the assigned geographic unit and recommend routine and emergency maintenance.

Qualifications
Required Qualifications:
Position may be filled at an NRS2 level or an NRS1 (In-Training) level depending on education and experience.
Natural Resource Specialist 1 (NRS2 In-Training) required qualifications
(Salary range: $3,700-$4,968 per month):

- Knowledge of all laws, policies, and practices related to timber sales program
- Knowledge of timber and land management planning practices
- Knowledge of timber sales, contract preparation and administration
- Knowledge of theory, policy, principles and practices of the forestry profession as applied to Northwestern United States (i.e. fundamentals of silviculture of Northwest species, markets and economics, cruising methods, engineering, plant nutrition, propagation, and weed control, reforestation and intensive forest practices, recreation, multiple use, inventory, water quality, watershed management and basic principles of fisheries management.)
- Written and verbal communication skills
- Facilitation and negotiation skills
- DNR Core Competencies:
  - Personal Accountability
  - Value Others
  - Compassionate Communication
  - Inspire Others
  - Commitment to Excellence

Natural Resource Specialist 2 required qualifications
(Salary Range: $4,174 - $5,615 per month):

- One year of professional forestry experience
- Experience with forest management objectives and timber management planning
- Experience with current forest management plans and associated agency policies and rules
- Experience with timber sales contract preparation and administration
- Knowledge of theory, policy, principles and practices of the forestry profession as applied to Northwestern United States (i.e., fundamentals of: silviculture of Northwest species, markets and economics, cruising methods, sales layout, logging methods, engineering, plant nutrition, propagation and weed control, reforestation and intensive forest practices, recreation, multiple use, inventory, water quality, watershed management and basic principles of fisheries management.)
- Knowledge of current forest practices rules, forestry laws and practices
- Knowledge of logging and forest road construction equipment and use
- Written and verbal communication skills
- Facilitation and negotiation skills

Special Requirements and Conditions of Employment:

- The position's assigned duty station is the Olympic Region office in Forks. This a field forester position with approximately 60% of the work performed outdoors, alone, and in remote areas. The ability to perform
arduous work while traversing steep, rugged terrain under a full spectrum of environmental conditions is necessary. Approximately 30% of the work involved is performed in a typical office setting. The remaining 10% is operating a motor vehicle.

- A valid driver’s license and have two years of driving experience. This position requires driving as an essential function. Finalists and/or interview candidates will be asked to provide a driving record from all states in which they have held a license during the past three years.

**Desired Qualifications:**

- Bachelor's degree in Forest Management or related field
- 2 years as a Pre Sales Natural Resource Specialist 1 in the Department of Natural Resources
- Demonstrated competence in timber harvest planning, preparation, contract administration and Pacific Northwest silviculture.
- Familiarity with current software used in word processing, spreadsheets and forestry applications
- Well-developed written and verbal communication skills.

**Supplemental Information**

**About the Department of Natural Resources (DNR).**
At DNR we approach our work through the lens of making Washington a better place environmentally and are dedicated to serving Washington’s lands and communities through diversity, equity and inclusion.

**Our Vision** – Our actions ensure a future where Washington’s lands, waters, and communities thrive.

**Our Mission** – Manage, sustain, and protect the health and productivity of Washington’s lands and waters to meet the needs of present and future generations.

**Our Core Values:**

- Safety and Well-Being — Our top priority is the safety of the public and our employees.
- Public Service — We value and respect the public we serve, and we value and respect the people of the Department of Natural Resources who step up to serve.
- Innovation and Creative Problem-Solving — We solve our state’s most pressing challenges through innovative thinking, dedication, and bold and creative vision.
- Leadership and Teamwork — We are committed to building leaders at all levels and building teams for success.

**DNR provides excellent benefits, a few of those include:**

- Commitment to organizational health and wellness
- Work/life balance
- DNR Employee Resource Groups (Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Council, Women’s Employee Resource Group, Veterans Employee Resource Group, etc.)
- Statewide Employee Business Resource Groups, [visit here to learn more](#)
Leadership that empowers and supports employees  
Professional development opportunities  
Educational and career development aid  
Public Service Loan Forgiveness Eligibility  
Opportunities to participate in wildland fire suppression assignments  
A comprehensive benefit package that includes employer contributions toward health insurance, paid holidays, retirement plans, sick leave and vacation days. Visit [http://careers.wa.gov/benefits.html](http://careers.wa.gov/benefits.html) for more information.

**Application Requirements:**

- To be considered you must apply online at www.careers.wa.gov (Click on the APPLY button above). You must complete the entire online application to be considered for the position.  
- Attach a letter of interest describing how your experience and qualifications relate to the position profile and the position required, desired and special requirements.  
- Attach a resume describing your experience and qualifications.  
- Provide three to five professional references – you may attach a document, use the References text field in the online application, or include with resume.  
- **Important:** Do not attach any documents that include photos or private information (social security number, year of birth, etc.).  
- Complete all supplemental questions.

**Additional Information:**

This recruitment may be extended and may also be used to fill future similar vacancies for up to sixty (60) days.

Veterans wishing to claim Veteran’s preference please attach a copy of your DD-214, NGB-22 or other verification of military service. Please black out your social security number prior to attaching. We thank you and are grateful for your service!

The Department of Natural Resources is an Equal Opportunity Employer. We strive to create a working environment that includes and respects cultural, racial, ethnic, sexual orientation and gender identity diversity. Women, racial and ethnic minorities, persons of disability, persons over 40 years of age, veterans, military spouses or people with military status, and people of all sexual orientations and gender identities are encouraged to apply.

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