

Position Announcement

Position: Forester

Location: Statesboro, GA

Department: STBR

Reports To: **John Hurlebaus**

Minimum Requirements: A Bachelor's Degree in Forestry from an accredited school. 3-5 years of experience in Forestry field.

Responsibilities and Job Requirements:

<u>Timber Sales and Appraisals</u>: All aspects of field work, office work and reporting to landowner/client.

- Systematic sampling of merchantable and premerchantable timberland using both fixed radius plots and prism sampling methods.
- 100% tree count of merchantable timber.
- Identify, locate and mark property lines.
- Identify and mark streamside management zones (SMZs).
- Identification of commercial tree species (winter and summer).
- Design and implementation of timber harvesting plan for clearcut, select cut and thinning sales.
- Prepare timber sale maps and review computer-generated digitized maps.
- Prepare timber sale bid notice and review timber sale contracts.
- Perform timber harvesting inspections to ensure compliance with contract.
- Collect timber and land sale data for appraisal purposes.
- Organize and audit timber sale settlements.

<u>Timberland Management</u>: All aspects of field work, office work and reporting to landowner/client.

- Inspection of clients' tracts.
- Proposal and implementation of timberland management activities specific to individual sites
 and client goals including site preparation techniques (mechanical & chemical), prescribed
 burning, chemical release spray, herbaceous weed control, reforestation activities, seedling
 survival check and timber stand improvement activities (commercial & precommercial thinning,
 fertilization, chemical release, etc.).
- Prepare and negotiate contracts with independent contractors for clients' management services.
- Supervision of contracted services, including certifying completion of work for payment.

- Meeting with landowner/client to review management activities, answer questions and make proposals regarding their timberland.
- Patrol property boundaries and points of access.
- Assist with management plan preparation.

Additional Requirements:

- Ability to generate new business (meet with potential clients, explain our business, etc.)
- Ability to efficiently and effectively perform existing work.
- Familiarity with computer-generated spreadsheets and word processing.
- Preparation of weekly timesheet showing all time worked by project, bill method and task.
- Required travel and ability to function as a team member on large projects throughout the U.S.
- Contact adjoining landowners to client's landholding.
- Check leases for possible violations.

Salary and Benefits

- Salary commensurate with qualifications and experience
- Exempt salary position paid semi-monthly
- Paid holidays
- Paid vacation schedule
- Healthcare and disability plan
- Tuition Reimbursement Program
- 401(K) retirement plan with company match
- Ongoing professional development training
- Eligible for annual and new business bonus plans

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