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**Position Description:** Ecological Restoration Technician

**Work Location:** Central Illinois

**Headquarters:** Athens, IL

**Date:** April 5, 2018

**Closing Date:** April 16, 2018 when position is filled

**Pay:** \$14-\$16 hour depending on experience

**Benefits:** Group health insurance. Paid Personal Time Off

## **POSITION DESCRIPTION**

Primary (90%): Under supervision of the crew leader, implements land management practices to restore a variety of Midwestern ecosystems.

Secondary (10%): Assist in cruising, marking, and development of forestry management plans.

## **BASIC QUALIFICATIONS**

- Bachelor's degree in natural sciences or two years' experience in related field;
- Ability to perform physical work, sometimes under adverse conditions or in inclement weather;
- Possess, or ability to obtain possession of, IL Department of Agriculture Commercial Pesticide Operator's license;
- Ability to operate various types of equipment in a safe and efficient manner (e.g.; chainsaw, brush saw, UTV, water pumps, herbicide sprayers, etc.);
- Must effectively communicate in written and oral formats;
- Plant identification skills; and
- Possess, or ability to obtain, related licenses such as first aid, CPR, basic etc. (provided by NLM, if needed)

## **ADDITIONAL JOB INFORMATION**

- 40 hours per week. *This is weather dependent.*
- Personal pair of steel toed boots and leather gloves required. All other personal protective equipment supplied by NLM.
- Work day begins at headquarters and ends when work on-site ends (i.e. travel to the site is paid, on the way home is not).

## **WORKING CONDITIONS/PHYSICAL EFFORT**

The candidate may work in variable weather conditions, at remote locations, on difficult and hazardous terrain, and under physically demanding circumstances. These conditions require:

- considerable physical exertion and/or muscular strain
- occasional 8 -10+ hour days in isolated settings
- occasional overnight stays in hotels or tent camping
- ability to tolerate insects, poison ivy, and other unpleasant aspects of nature

## **WORK ENVIRONMENT:**

Ability to stand; walk on uneven terrain; carry, lift and move heavy objects (50 pounds) or tools (chain saws, clearing saws, herbicide backpacks); climb steep hills; and withstand extreme weather conditions.

While performing the duties of this job the employee occasionally works near moving parts; is exposed to fumes, airborne particles, smoke and toxic or caustic chemicals. The noise level in this job is usually moderate but can be high.

## **TO APPLY:**

Please submit a cover letter, resume, and three references (name, employer, position, and phone number) to:

Mail:

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