



Asst Forester - Area Forester (Western Region)

POSITION INFORMATION

<u>Working Title:</u>	Asst Forester - Area Forester (Western Region)
<u>Department:</u>	Nebraska Forest Service-0889
<u>Requisition Number:</u>	F_210221
<u>Posting Open Date:</u>	12/14/2021
<u>Application Review Date:</u> (To ensure consideration, please submit all application materials before review date)	01/24/2022
<u>Open Until Filled:</u>	Yes
<u>Location:</u>	This position is located in North Platte (or Western Nebraska Location agreeable to NFS)
<u>Salary:</u>	\$63,000 minimum

DESCRIPTION OF WORK:

The Area Forester position for the Nebraska Forest Service (NFS) is a non-tenure track faculty-equivalent position that provides leadership in forestry and forest products. The Area Forester will lead a team of forestry staff located in the western half of the state to implement progressive and innovative forestry and forest products programming in Nebraska. The Nebraska Forest Service, which is part of the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources (IANR) at the University of Nebraska, is a dynamic, progressive, and growing state agency focused on enriching the lives of Nebraskans by protecting, restoring, and utilizing Nebraska's trees and forests. This position is located in North Platte, Nebraska (or Western Nebraska Location agreeable to NFS).

Recognizing that diversity within a context of inclusivity enhances creativity, innovation, impact, and a sense of belonging, the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources (IANR) and Nebraska Forest Service are committed to creating learning, research, extension programming, and work environments that are inclusive of human diversity. We actively encourage applications from and nominations of individuals from underrepresented groups.

Responsibilities include administering and leading the forestry staff in western Nebraska; providing leadership in developing and implementing programs to improve Nebraska's forests and trees; working with state, federal, and local officials and stakeholders including commercial forest industry professionals and conservation groups to accomplish Forest and Fire Bureau's program goals and objectives.



REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS

- Bachelor's degree in forestry, natural resources, horticulture, or related field.
- Three years professional experience leading forestry programs which include landowner assistance, community education/outreach, and program implementation. Must include program development, project and administrative experience.
- Supervisory experience and staff administration experience.

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS

- A proven record of supervisory experience and staff administration.
- A proven record in developing and successfully implementing short to medium-term projects and program goals.
- Experience and proven record in successful grants writing and preparation.
- A history of identifying, defining, and implementing new and existing programs.
- Experience in defining, guiding, and implementing strategic and operational planning and management activities.
- Demonstrated technical, program management and administrative abilities in forestry or natural resource programs with excellent knowledge of forestry and forest management practices.
- Demonstrated ability to manage and oversee programs, projects, operations, and staff.
- Demonstrated ability to engage and foster partner support.
- Excellent communication, planning, interpersonal, technology and administrative skill set.
- Experience providing accurate and complete programmatic reports.

Review of applications will begin January 24, 2022 and continue until the position is filled or the search is closed. To view additional details of the position and create an application, go to <https://employment.unl.edu>, requisition F_210221. Click "Apply to this job" and complete the information form. Attach 1) a letter of interest that describes your qualifications for the job, anticipated contributions, and your experience contributing to inclusive environments; 2) your curriculum vitae; 3) contact information for three professional references (or arrange to have reference letters sent to sjara2@unl.edu); and 4) a statement of the value you place on diversity and your anticipated contributions to creating inclusive environments in which every person and every interaction matters (2 page maximum; see <https://ianr.unl.edu/tips-writing-about-commitment-to-deib> for guidance in writing this statement).

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