

Position Announcement: Forester/Senior Forestry Tech Opening Open until filled

Duration: Full-time, permanent position dependent on funding/work availability.

Duty location: Carson or Trout Lake, WA

Salary and benefits: This is a full-time position based off of a 40-hour work week with an hourly wage of \$20.65 to \$26.31/hour depending on experience. MARS offers health care benefits and a simple IRA retirement plan after 6 months of continuous employment.

Closing date: OPEN UNTIL FILLED with a desire for applicant to begin work by mid-June 2023.

Mt. Adams Resource Stewards (MARS), a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization founded in 2004, is seeking an exceptionally motivated and technically skilled foresters/forestry technicians to work closely with the US Forest Service in expanding a growing partnership on the Gifford Pinchot National Forest (GPNF). The successful candidate(s) will work with MARS and GPNF staff to expand field capacity in support of the US Forest Service's stewardship and timber sale program by assisting with pre-sale/sale preparation, sale administration, siliviculture and stand exam tasks primarily on national forest system lands. The position(s) requires a reasonable level of experience with field forestry skills necessary to support federal stewardship/timber programs. The successful candidate will be attracted to the unique collaborative effort between a community-based forestry organization and a federal agency.

Strong field forestry skills are required as specific tasks are likely to include:

Presale Program related:

- Perform timber and stewardship sale boundary layout, considering environmental
 assessment design criteria, logging systems/operability, economic viability, stand
 conditions and objectives, etc. Utilize Forest Service marking guides to implement site
 specific silvicultural prescriptions. May utilize Forest Service "DxP" and "DxD"
 prescriptive methods as well as more conventional leave and cut-tree marking. Will
 identify areas of no treatment (skips, no-cut buffers, etc) and heavier treatment (heavy
 thins, gaps, etc).
- Identify logging system breaks and be able to accurately map them for appraisal purposes.
- Field verify and identify temporary road locations to facilitate harvest unit operations.
- Cruise timber using Forest Service and Region 6 specific cruising methods and standards.
- GPS traversing of timber and stewardship sale boundaries.
- Painting and tagging timber and stewardship sale boundaries.
- Utilize Esri software (ArcMap, ArcPro, etc) to make work maps as necessary.
- Utilize tablets and resource grade GPS hardware and software.

Sale Administration related:

 Assist Forest Service Timber Sale Administrators with compliance on timber and stewardship sales: recommending skid trail and skyline corridors for approval, tallying additional volume, assisting with inspections on stewardship service items, etc.

Stand Exam related:

 Install stand exam plots across a wide range of vegetation types; collecting stand and site data (species, stocking, diameters, heights, plant assoc, etc) to be used in future environmental analysis.

The position will also require supervisory responsibilities of at least one other technician, as well as representing MARS in project specific communications on a regular basis. Outside of the field season the successful candidate will continue support to the Gifford Pinchot N.F. or Mt. Adams Resource Stewards on additional/special projects that serve to advance USFS needs or Mt. Adams Resource Stewards' efforts that focus on community-based natural resource management strategies to advance our mission of sustainable connections between the land and local communities across one of the more spectacular landscapes in the Pacific Northwest. More can be learned about MARS at www.mtadamsstewards.org.

Desired Qualifications

- Practical and successful experience as a field forester/forestry technician that demonstrates knowledge, skills and abilities necessary to perform tasks described above:
- Familiarity with public lands management, especially US Forest Service stewardship and timber sale programs:
- Excellent work ethic in support of meeting program tasks and deliverables;
- Strong communication skills, including writing abilities, that can support constructive and positive collaborations with project partners and other staff;
- Willingness to endure potentially strenuous work in the field under adverse weather conditions;
- Two- or four-year college degree in relevant field such as forestry, natural resource management, etc.

Interested applicants should submit a cover letter, resume and three references to:

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