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Subject: Summer Botanist Positions

Position: Biological Science Technician/Forestry Science Technician

Agency: University of Georgia in Collaboration with USDA Forest Service

Location: Irvine, PA

Job Category: Temporary/Seasonal Positions

Salary: \$12.50/hour

Start & End Date: 5/23/2016-9/12/2016, some flexibility Number of Vacancies: 2 Late Date to Apply: Open Until Filled,

Applicant Review to Begin March, 21rd 2016

Description:

- The position involves monitoring understory forest vegetation in both mature and harvested forest stands. This work includes, but is not limited to counting and measuring woody stems, identifying understory plant species, calculating understory species abundance, collecting biomass samples and storing plant samples.
- Work typically includes 10-hour days; 4 days a week. Work days include travel to sites as part of 10-hour work day. Travel times vary between 1-4 hours round trip, dependent on location.
- This position is part of a collaborative research effort between the University of Georgia, Warnell School of Forestry and Natural Resources (<http://www.warnell.uga.edu/>) and the USDA Forest Service NRS-02 Lab (<http://www.nrs.fs.fed.us/units/sustainingforests/>).
- Housing is provided, however there is a minimal cost associated with Forest Service housing (approximately \$4.60 per day, including utilities). Field housing is located in the Kane Experimental Forest (<http://www.nrs.fs.fed.us/ef/locations/pa/kane/>) and consists of two bedrooms with 1 and 2 sets of bunk beds, respectively, 2 full bathrooms, kitchen and common area.
- A field vehicle will be provided for work, however having a car is recommended (housing remote from grocery stores, etc.). Starting and ending dates are somewhat flexible. Technicians will have experienced leadership early in the season, working with increasing independence as they gain experience.

Qualifications:

- Minimum qualifications: Applicants must have a combination of training and experience required to perform the duties and responsibilities of the position. A high school diploma and valid driver's license is required.
- Preferred qualifications: Successful completion of a full 4-year course of study leading to a bachelor's degree related to Botany, Forestry, Ecology or Natural Resources Management. Exceptional knowledge in the identification of Northeastern trees and herbaceous plant communities is desired.
- Physical Demands: Work can be strenuous at times; including carrying equipment up steep grades and navigating through remnant slash piles from timber harvest.
- Applicants must consent to a background check
- Please send a resume with contact information of 3 references to

the e-mail address below

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