



Posting Details

Working Title Forestry Technician RAI - Open Pool

Position Location: Boulder, Fort Collins, Franktown, Golden, Canon City, La Veta, Woodland Park, Alamosa, Durango, Gunnison, Montrose, Salida, Grand Junction, Granby, Steamboat Springs, Gould/State Forest, Colorado.

Proposed Annual Salary Range: \$30,000 - \$38,000, commensurate with experience

The Colorado State Forest Service is an agency of Colorado State University, and is housed organizationally, in the Warner College of Natural Resources. The CSFS also staffs the Division of Forestry for the Colorado Department of Natural Resources. The CSFS has field offices throughout the state, organized within four Areas with a State Office located in Fort Collins on one of the foothills campuses of CSU.

Individual staff members take the lead on one or more program areas and all staff members are expected to assist each other as needed for successful, efficient and effective delivery of services and programs.

Position Summary

The Colorado State Forest Service accepts applications on an ongoing basis from individuals who are interested in obtaining a full or part-time Forestry Technician position, to work within one or more of CSFS programs. Forestry Technician positions will be hired from this general pool announcement periodically dependent on funding and work needs. These positions will be hired under temporary worker authorizations and may last up to 3 years. In your cover letter, please provide a list of any relevant experience or coursework relevant to the program areas listed below.

Under the supervision of a Supervisory Forester or Forester, the Forestry Technician position will work to support and deliver CSFS services in one or more of the following program areas:

- Forest management
- Forest agriculture
- Forest stewardship planning
- Urban and community forestry
- Wildfire mitigation & fuels treatment
- Insect and disease
- Fire Wise & Community Wildfire Protection Plans
- Special projects as assigned
- Grant program management
- Outreach & education programs
- Pile burning on state lands
- Community/HOA assistance
- Federal, state, and local government forest management projects

These positions will provide professional, science-based assistance to local landowners regarding forest health (insects, disease, and wildfire mitigation), and prepare program related reports and plans. In addition, these positions will also provide assistance to other staff in additional program areas including: Grants, Federal land forest management through the Good Neighbor Authority, State Land management and facilities maintenance.

At times, these positions will assist and develop service agreements with landowners by creating scopes of work, assessing project budgets, resources, and personnel, deciding the technical requirements needed for the agreement, administration of science-based forest management activities and obtaining appropriate signatures. These positions must have a basic knowledge of silviculture, Forestry best management practices, insect and disease identification, pest management, wildfire mitigation and basic wildland fire suppression.

These positions are expected to provide professional services, education and outreach to landowners and cooperators/partners through written and verbal communication. Utilizing feedback from relevant sources to evaluate options and implement solutions is also critical to this position.

Required Job Qualifications

- A bachelor's degree (or greater) in forestry; another natural resources program or related degree will be considered.
- Must be legally authorized to work in the United States before the employment start date; Colorado State Forest Service will not sponsor a visa for this position
- Must have a valid driver's license or the ability to obtain a driver's license or access to a licensed driver by the employment start date.

Preferred Job Qualifications

- Experience communicating with the public.
- Committed to quality, demonstrated excellent customer service ethic, professionalism and safety.
- Demonstrated experience with participation on teams or, as well as the ability to work independently, be a self-starter with strong interpersonal skills.
Program and/or project management experience.
- Excellent verbal and written communication and interpersonal skills.
- Proficient with ArcGIS data management, capable of using ArcMap compatible GIS/GPS units to collect field data and ability to manipulate data in ArcMap.
- Understanding of basic western United States forest management techniques in the following areas: silviculture; harvesting systems; forest management planning; wildfire hazard mitigation; wildfire suppression; prescribed fire; forest insect and disease detection, prevention, and suppression; urban and community forestry; windbreaks; outreach and education.
- Understanding of basic field forestry skills (cruising, prescription development, timber marking, and timber sale and/or contract administration).
- Demonstrated skills in writing forest management plans, timber sale layout and administration, and budget preparation and administration.

Diversity Statement

CSFS promotes a workplace that places a high value on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion and follows Colorado State University guidance and initiatives. Candidates should be able to demonstrate knowledge of, and relevant ability with, culturally diverse communities among potential target and constituent populations.