

Advertisement Closes

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Forester

Pay Grade13

Salary$32,042.40 - $51,269.52

Employment Type

EXECUTIVE BRANCH | FULL TIME ELIGIBLE FOR OVERTIME PAY | 18A | 37.5 HR/WK

Hiring Agency

Energy & Environment Cabinet | Department for Natural Resources

Location

Mobile Workstation  
Hazard KY 41701 USA  
  
The agency may authorize the selected applicant to telecommute. The agency may terminate or modify the telecommuting arrangement at any time.

Description

The Division of Forestry is Kentucky’s designated forest steward, whose mission is to protect, conserve and enhance the forest resources of the Commonwealth. The Division has more than 100 years of public service, and is committed to assisting landowners with improving their timber stands, preventing and suppressing wildfires, protecting water quality during commercial timber harvesting operations, and delivering forestry-related education throughout the Commonwealth.  
  
The Forestry Inventory & Analysis (FIA) Forester is a highly skilled team member who travels throughout an assigned geographic area, and performs professional forestry work on both public and private forestlands. This work includes the collection of forest and tree data necessary for a continual inventory of Kentucky’s forestlands. The collected information is critical for decision making regarding the sustainability of the Commonwealth’s forest resources. The FIA Forester will receive on the job training, and must eventually be certified through the U.S. Forest Service in order to collect and submit forest inventory data.  
  
Responsibilities may include, but are not limited to:

* Performs professional forester field duties necessary to complete an inventory of Kentucky's forest lands by following U.S. Forest Service data collection procedures for evaluating forest stand size, composition and condition, overall health, and potential threats to the forest
* Performs administrative duties to process collected inventory data by following U.S. Forest Service procedures, including weekly plot data downloads and U.S. Forest Service accomplishment reports.
* Attends workshops, seminars, and training sessions to maintain a high level of knowledge in stand identification and data collection, and to stay up-to-date on new information and procedures
* Successful completion of competency testing associated with the training and the position
* Performs wildland fire management and related activities including wildland fire suppression and prevention
* Conducts forestry education and public outreach

Preferred Skills and Abilities:

* Excellent communication, organization, and documentation skills
* Proficient knowledge and use of information technology
* Working knowledge of dendrology, and tree identification
* Ability to work independently

If you are interested in a challenging yet rewarding career with an agency providing a long-term, positive impact to the environment, we would love to review your application for Forestry Inventory & Analysis Forester.

Minimum Requirements

**EDUCATION:** Graduate of a college or university with a bachelor's degree in forestry.

**EXPERIENCE, TRAINING, OR SKILLS:** NONE

**Substitute EDUCATION for EXPERIENCE:** NONE

**Substitute EXPERIENCE for EDUCATION:** NONE

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS (AGE, LICENSURE, REGULATION, ETC.):** NONE

Working Conditions

Work is typically performed outdoors on private forest lands. Work can be under adverse conditions due to weather, topography, or when suppressing wild land fires. Work also involves frequent contact with citizens and organizations in the promotion of forestry programs.

Probationary Period

This job has an initial and promotional probationary period of 6 months, except as provided in KRS 18A.111.

If you have questions about this advertisement, please contact Pamela Snyder at [**pamela.snyder@ky.gov**](mailto:pamela.snyder@ky.gov%20?Subject=21-06834%20-%20Forester) or 502-782-7184.

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