Forestry Technical Assistant
Seasonal Departmental (18 weeks)
Manitoba Agriculture and Resource Development, Winnipeg, Manitoba

Advertisement Number: 35938
Salary Range: $1,489.60 - $1,749.60 bi-weekly
Closing Date: February 24, 2020

The Manitoba government recognizes the importance of building an exemplary public service reflective of the citizens it serves, where diverse abilities, backgrounds, cultures, identities, languages and perspectives drives a high standard of service and innovation. The Manitoba government supports equitable employment practices and promotes representation of designated groups (women, Indigenous people, persons with disabilities, visible minorities).

Employment Equity is a factor in selection for this competition. Consideration will be given to women, Indigenous people, persons with disabilities and visible minorities.

Qualifications:

Conditions of Employment:
- Must be legally entitled to work in Canada.
- Must possess and maintain a valid full stage Manitoba Class 5 Driver’s Licence or equivalent from another province.
- Must be willing and able to travel to remote locations throughout the Province of Manitoba via trucks, all-terrain vehicles, boats, or rotary or fixed wing aircraft.
- Must be willing and able to work overtime when required and work out-of-town for extended periods of up to ten days with overnight accommodations in bunkhouses, hotels and tents.
- Must be physically capable of performing duties of the position which require moderate physical effort including carrying equipment such as chainsaws and forestry samples for long distances potentially over rough terrain and in adverse weather conditions.

Essential Criteria:
- Enrolled in or a graduate of a Forestry/Natural Resource Management/Biological Science Degree or Diploma program. An equivalent combination of education and experience may be considered.
- Experience driving a variety of vehicles, such as trucks or vans, including towing trailers over a variety of terrain, such as paved highways, gravel roads, and forestry roads/trails.
- Experience collecting, recording and maintaining data with strong attention to detail
- Knowledge in forestry surveys
- Strong verbal communication skills, including the ability to communicate effectively with co-workers and the public.
- Ability to work independently under minimal supervision.
- Knowledge of safe work practices related to working in outdoor, remote locations and working with forestry machinery and equipment.
- Strong interpersonal skills with the ability to work in a team environment.
Desired Criteria:
- Knowledge identifying native Manitoba forest tree, shrubs, herbs and forest insect and diseases.
- Experience using ArcGIS and/or related applications such as Collector for ArcGIS.

Duties:
This is a technical field position that conducts forest surveys and collects data on forest health, forest renewal, and forest inventory sites. The successful incumbents are responsible for establishing and monitoring plots, species identification, forest insect and disease identification, recording data, measuring heights and tree diameters, urban forestry surveys and assessing forest regeneration. As a part of the position, the successful incumbents will also be responsible for navigating to plot locations, collecting and recording data, communicating with the public, and working under the Forest Health Protection Act. These positions are based out of Winnipeg and travel throughout Manitoba.

APPLY TO:

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Applicants may request reasonable accommodation related to the materials or activities used throughout the selection process.

When applying to this position, please indicate the advertisement number and position title in the subject line and/or body of your email. Your cover letter, resumé and/or application must clearly indicate how you meet the qualifications.

Please be advised that job competitions may be grieved and appealed. Should a selection grievance be filed, information from the competition file will be provided to the grievor's representative or the grievor, if unrepresented. Personal information irrelevant to the grievance and other information protected under legislation will be redacted.

We thank all who apply and advise that only those selected for further consideration will be contacted.