

# Seasonal Natural Resource Field Technician

## Fort Polk, Louisiana

### POSITION

Up to three seasonal Natural Resource Field Technician (hourly) positions are available with the Center for Environmental Management of Military Lands. These positions are located at Fort Polk, Louisiana.

### ORGANIZATION

The Center for Environmental Management of Military Lands is a research, education and service unit within the Warner College of Natural Resources at [Colorado State University \(CSU\)](http://www.colostate.edu). CEMML applies the latest and most appropriate science to promote the sustainable management of natural and cultural resources on Department of Defense (DOD) and other public lands. We provide technical support, conduct applied research, and offer career development and learning opportunities to support resource stewardship. We collaborate with our sponsors and within CSU to resolve complex environmental issues, leaving a legacy of science-based decisions that sustain our resources for future generations.

To learn more about CEMML's contributions to land management and our mission, vision, and values, visit <http://www.cemml.colostate.edu/>.

### RESPONSIBILITIES

Technicians will be members of the Integrated Natural Resources Management Plan (INRMP) field crew at Fort Polk, Louisiana. The field crew will work with the different INRMP team sections (wildlife game species, wildlife non-game species, and botany) to monitor and collect data on a wide variety of natural resource projects. Some of these efforts may include: fisheries management; food plot development; game birds management; white-tailed deer management; forest prescriptions; nuisance/invasive animal management; bird, amphibian and mammal monitoring; stream monitoring; plant community mapping; noxious/invasive plant control; botanical surveys; wetland identification/delineation; and maneuver damage inspection support. Employees will gain valuable experience with flora and fauna sampling techniques and equipment, plant taxonomy and identification, flora of Louisiana, experience navigating with a GPS and map and compass. This is a field position and field technicians will be spending approximately 90 percent of their time in the field. The field crew works five days a week, eight hours per day.

### MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

United States citizenship is required for this position. A minimum of one year of course work in a related natural resources field. Candidates must have a good temperament, strong work ethic, and a desire to conduct arduous field work. Applicants must be willing and able to work outdoors and perform strenuous labor under all weather conditions, primarily extreme heat and humidity. Insects and wildlife will be encountered, applicants must be okay working in conditions where bothersome insects and poisonous snakes may be present. Applicants must be able to carry a 25 lb. pack and hike up to 1.5 miles in rugged terrain.

### DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS

A BS/BA degree, or a degree in progress, in botany, biology, ecology, natural sciences, or a related field. Experience with basic flora and fauna field methods and techniques in field botany, and/or wildlife ecology. Candidates with herbaceous plant, wildlife and/or biology taxonomy course work and experience with field identification techniques are desirable. Basic knowledge of Trimble GPS units.

### BACKGROUND CHECK

Colorado State University is committed to providing a safe and productive learning and living community. To achieve that goal, we conduct background investigations for all final candidates being considered for employment. Background checks may include, but are not limited to, criminal history, national sex offender search and motor vehicle history.

**PAY RATE**

Pay rate is commensurate with experience and qualifications. Range \$13.00-\$18.00/hour.

**DURATION**

These are temporary full-time positions not to exceed nine months, beginning as early as March and running through mid-August, possibly into September. If additional funding and work is available technicians may be able to stay on for a longer period, but not to last more than 9 a total of months.

**APPLICATION**

Submit a statement of interest/cover letter describing your qualifications, a copy of your resume, and two references to Chris Herron and Jody Patterson at the email addresses below. Materials will be accepted until the position is filled.

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