

Hourly Forestry Technician

Shaw Air Force Base, South Carolina



POSITION

One Forestry Technician (Seasonal, Full-time hourly, 40 hours/week) position is available with the Colorado State University (CSU) Center for Environmental Management of Military Lands (CEMML). This position will provide support to the natural resources program at Shaw Air Force Base (AFB), South Carolina. The intent of this position is to provide the successful applicant with exposure to careers in military lands management and natural resources work experience. The technician will contribute to conservation efforts at Shaw AFB and learn about the regulatory framework and importance of managing natural resources on Department of Defense lands. Successful candidates will gain entry-level experience on a variety of forestry and natural resource management projects under mentorship with natural resource professionals at Shaw AFB. Military affiliation is **not** required to apply for this position.

ORGANIZATION

CEMML

CEMML is a research, education, and service unit within the Warner College of Natural Resources at CSU. 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 other CSU departments 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, our mission, vision, and values, please visit <http://www.cemml.colostate.edu/>.

Position Duty Station: Shaw Air Force Base, South Carolina

Shaw AFB is a 3,300-acre United States military installation located seven miles west of Sumter, South Carolina. Shaw AFB is home to the 20th Fighter Wing, which has provided the Air Force with combat-ready airpower and airmen for worldwide operations since its establishment in 1947. The natural resource management program at Shaw AFB is an award-winning operation that is responsible for managing over 12,500 acres of forests at the nearby Poinsett Range, where they support protected species such as the Red-cockaded woodpecker, promote vegetative diversity and the growth of native species, and support prescribed fires while preventing uncontrolled wildland fires. Key areas of focus for the Shaw AFB natural resources program include threatened and endangered species management, wildland fire management, and vegetation management.

To learn more about Shaw AFB and its mission, visit <https://www.shaw.af.mil/>.

RESPONSIBILITIES

The Forestry Technician will provide support to the Shaw AFB Forest Manager on a variety of forest and habitat management projects. These projects will include assisting with timber sales in red-cockaded woodpecker habitat. Timber sale can entail marking of trees and sale boundaries, cruising and estimating volume of trees to be harvested, and monitoring logging operations and access for contract requirements. Technicians will also take part in preparing for and participating in prescribed fire operations, assisting with

red-cockaded woodpecker surveys, developing maps using ArcGIS, and will have opportunities to get involved with the Shaw AFB hunting, cultural resources, and wetland management programs. Once hired, technicians will be given necessary safety training and certifications for operating heavy equipment such as tractors and participating in prescribed fire operations. A majority of the work will be conducted outdoors and will entail working either alongside other technicians/managers and/or independently, as necessary. The many tasks and projects associated with this position will provide excellent experience to anyone interested in a career in forestry or related natural resources management.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

- Must be physically capable of working independently in remote outdoor locations under varying weather conditions. The tasks associated with this position will require frequent walking, pulling, lifting, and may include using gas-powered equipment and other tools.
- Must have or be pursuing a degree in forestry or a natural resource-related field.
- Must have a valid driver's license for operating federal vehicles.
- Must be able to pass a federal background investigation to obtain a Department of Defense Installation Access Pass.
- The successful candidate must demonstrate U.S. employment eligibility; CEMML will not provide visa sponsorship for this position.

DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS

- B.S. in forestry.
- Completed a course in ArcGIS or has other relevant experience with ArcGIS.
- Experience using gas-powered tools
- Completed courses in or has relevant experience in dendrology and forest mensuration.
- Valid Wildland Firefighter Red Card and/or the ability to pass the Red Card Pack Test.
- Completion of chainsaw safety training or certification.
- Experience operating tractors and other heavy equipment.
- Familiar with forestry equipment (e.g., prisms).

PAY RATE

Pay rate is \$16/hour and the work period will not exceed 140 working days.

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS:

Employee Benefit information can be found on HR's Website at <https://hr.colostate.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/25/2021/02/benefits-summary-hourly.pdf> and <https://hr.colostate.edu/current-employees/benefits/>.

APPLICATION

Email each of the items listed below individually as a Word Document (.doc) or PDF (.pdf) to CEMML_AF_Seasonal@mail.colostate.edu and include "Shaw Air Force Base" in the subject line. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. Please remove social security numbers and birthdates from application materials. Please note that incomplete applications cannot be considered; a complete application consists of the following items.

- 1) Cover letter addressing each qualification described in the announcement
- 2) Resume

3) Contact information for three professional references, including at least one past/present work supervisor. (References will not be contacted without prior notification of candidates)

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.

Beginning Monday, August 16, 2021, CSU has mandated vaccinations against COVID-19. Faculty and staff are required to submit their vaccine status or declare an exemption. More information about the vaccination mandate can be found on the CSU COVID-19 Information & Resources site at: <https://covid.colostate.edu/>.

Colorado State University is committed to providing an environment that is free from discrimination and harassment based on race, age, creed, color, religion, national origin or ancestry, sex, gender, disability, veteran status, genetic information, sexual orientation, gender identity/expression, or pregnancy in its employment, programs, services and activities, and admissions, and, in certain circumstances, marriage to a co-worker. The University will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate against employees or applicants because they have inquired about, discussed, or disclosed their own pay or the pay of another employee or applicant. Colorado State University is an equal opportunity and equal access institution and affirmative action employer fully committed to achieving a diverse workforce and complies with all Federal and Colorado State laws, regulations, and executive orders regarding non-discrimination and affirmative action. The Office of Equal Opportunity is located in 101 Student Services.

The Title IX Coordinator is the Director of the Office of Title IX Programs and Gender Equity, 123 Student Services Building, Fort Collins, CO 80523-0160, (970) 491-1715, titleix@colostate.edu.

The Section 504 and ADA Coordinator is the Director of the Office of Equal Opportunity, 101 Student Services Building, Fort Collins, CO 80523-0160, (970) 491-5836, oeo@colostate.edu.

The Coordinator for any other forms of misconduct prohibited by the University's Policy on Discrimination and Harassment is the Vice President for Equity, Equal Opportunity and Title IX, 101 Student Services Building, Fort Collins, Co. 80523-0160, (970) 491-5836, oeo@colostate.edu.

Any person may report sex discrimination under Title IX to the Office of Civil Rights, Department of Education.

DIVERSITY STATEMENT

Colorado State University does not discriminate on the basis of race, age, color, religion, national origin or ancestry, sex, gender, disability, veteran status, genetic information, sexual orientation, or gender identity or expression. Colorado State University is an equal opportunity/equal access/affirmative action employer fully committed to achieving a diverse workforce and complying with all federal and Colorado state laws, regulations, and executive orders regarding non-discrimination and affirmative action. The Office of Equal Opportunity is located in 101 Student Services.

Reflecting departmental and institutional values, candidates are expected to have the ability to advance the Department's commitment to diversity and inclusion.

See a complete listing of open CEMML positions at <http://www.cemml.colostate.edu>.

Colorado State University Vaccine Statement

Beginning Monday, August 16, 2021, Colorado State University has mandated vaccinations against COVID-19. Faculty and staff are required to submit their vaccine status or declare an exemption. More information

about the vaccination mandate can be found on the CSU COVID-19 Information & Resources site at: <https://covid.colostate.edu/pandemic-preparedness-team-broad-guidance-for-all-summer-and-fall-2021-activities/>.