FULL-TIME POSITION

Location: Lindenhurst, IL

Wage Range: $25.77 – $35.19

Application deadline: Open until Filled

SUMMARY

The Forestry Technician performs work in forestry, land management and restoration, wildlife management, and other natural resource management functions. Conducts tree surveys, assessments, and inventories at selected sites. Performs tree removals, pruning, climbing, trimming, cabling and bracing, transplanting, and fertilization. Uses drawings and sketches to prepare sites for tree and brush clearing, transplanting, prairie seeding, and burning. Plants and transplants trees, shrubs, wildflowers, and prairie, and may perform grading and seeding. Applies herbicides and pesticides, and assists with prescribed burns as necessary to manage flora and fauna. Removes blockages from waterways. Assists with the District’s Wildlife Management program. Operates dump trucks, tree chipper, tractors, tree spade, stump grinder, seeder, tree planter, chain saw, brush hog, aerial lift truck and other resource management equipment. Performs tasks that will require walking, bending, stooping, standing, kneeling, climbing, reaching and sitting. Performs heavy lifting tasks up to 75 pounds.

EXPERIENCE

Associates’ degree and/or certificate in Urban Forestry, Horticulture, Natural Resource Management, Biology, or related field from a junior college or vocational school. Three years’ experience in forestry, arboriculture, park or resource management. Knowledge of the theory, principles and practices of professional tree care, aerial pruning, hazardous tree removal, cabling, chipping, and stump removal. Working knowledge of methods, practices, tools, and materials used, and the ability to operate the necessary equipment in natural resource management. Knowledge of hazards and safety precautions pertaining to natural resource management. Must possess an Illinois Pesticide Operators license. Must possess a valid "CDL" Class A driver's license.

HOW TO APPLY AND APPLICATION DEADLINES

Studies have shown that women and people of color are less likely to apply for jobs unless they believe they can perform every job description task. We are most interested in finding the best candidate for the job, and that candidate may come from a less traditional background. If you are interested in applying, we encourage you to think broadly about your background and skill set for the role.

Interest in employment with the Forest Preserve can be expressed by submitting an application online at www.LCFPD.org. Positions are open until filled.

ABOUT LAKE COUNTY FOREST PRESERVES

The Lake County Forest Preserves offers an excellent work environment as well as a comprehensive benefits package, including medical, dental, and life insurance, IMRF pension plan, and paid vacation, personal, and sick leave.

As principal guardian of Lake County’s open spaces and natural areas since 1958, we manage more than 31,000 acres of land and offer innovative educational, recreational and cultural opportunities for all people. Visitors of all ages can enjoy over 209 miles of trail for a variety of outdoor recreation uses, ponds and lakes for fishing, public golf courses, historical and cultural venues, public access to the Fox River and Lake Michigan, and award-winning nature and history education programs and events.

AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY/AFFIRMATIVE ACTION EMPLOYER

Date posted: July 13, 2023

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