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POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

Forest Ecology Technician

Background

International Paper's Southlands Forest (SF) is seeking to hire a temporary, summer employee (May – August 2003) to support the Forest Ecology and Water Resources Section with ongoing projects in forest/wildlife ecology and management, specifically working with the Red-cockaded Woodpecker (RCW). The position will be located at SF located in Bainbridge, GA. Free on-site housing may be available.

Basic Qualifications

The position requires a background in wildlife, forestry, ecology, and/or natural resource management. A working knowledge of forest management practices, plant ecology, wildlife sampling, and computer systems are required. Seeking applicants who are currently working towards a B.S. in forestry, wildlife management, ecology, or natural resources management. Applicants must be able to work in small team settings; they must also be self-starters and capable of working with minimal to no supervision. Subsequent to a conditional offer of employment, candidate should possess a valid driver's license and complete a pre-employment health assessment, which includes medical and drug screening.

Duties/Responsibilities

- Assist with the management of the SF RCW population. Duties include:
 1. Collect intensive demographic data on the RCW population (Daily roost checks and morning follows).
 2. Conduct cavity inspection and associated maintenance activities.
 3. Survey existing and potential RCW habitat.
- Assist with timber cruising/marketing and prescribe burning at SF.
- Manage data sets and perform basic analyses, e.g., generate summary statistics.
- Assist with other ongoing and pending research projects as necessary.
- Convey a good company image.

Required Skills and Qualifications of Applicants

- Ability to work safely.
- Knowledge of wildlife associated with the Longleaf pine/wiregrass ecosystem.
- Knowledge of wildlife survey techniques.
- Ability to read maps and identify landforms/features in the field.
- Ability to collect, download, process, transfer, and manage data sets.
- Knowledge of GIS and GPS technologies.
- Ability to work in all types of terrain and extreme weather.
- Provide own pair of steel-toed safety boots.
- Valid driver's license.

Application Deadline March 14, 2002

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