



NORTHERN SONOMA COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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Forestry Technician (Seasonal)

\$20.00 - \$25.00 per hour; Final Filing Date: Continuous

Position Description: The Seasonal Forestry Technician position is a full-time, temporary position that lasts at least 3 months but no more than 9 months. Depending on experience, the Seasonal Forestry Technician will be placed at the entry level as a Forestry Technician 1 (FT1) or the more experienced level as a Forestry Technician 2 (FT2). This position is responsible for operating power and hand tools to limb up trees; remove small trees, bushes and other vegetation; move cut vegetation to a chipper and feed vegetation into the chipper. Employee must be able to follow directions and work diligently in the implementation of fuels reduction projects. This position may also involve participation in pile and broadcast burning. The work schedule is 10-hour days, 4 days per week.

Minimum Qualifications: Must be at least 18 years old at the time of employment, valid California Class C driver's license or higher, and high school diploma or equivalent. Forestry Technician 2 requires at least three months of full-time equivalent experience as a fuels crew member or similar position. No experience required for the Forestry Technician 1 position.

Highly Desirable Qualifications: Forestry or natural resources education and/or related experience. Experience as a volunteer, part-time, and/or full-time at the fire fighter or higher rank. Wildland fire ecology, use, and management experience and education, including understanding wildland fuel loading, wildland fire effects, and wildland fire monitoring. Other desirable qualifications include S-130, S-190, ICS-100, L-180, and IS-700.

Physical Requirements: This position requires frequent standing, sitting, walking, talking, and hearing. In addition, this position requires use of hands and fingers to handle objects, operate tools or controls, and reach with hands and arms. Employee will frequently be required to lift and/or move objects up to 50 pounds and occasionally move objects up to 175 pounds. Specific vision abilities include close vision and the ability to adjust focus. Employee must maintain the requisite strength, stamina, and agility necessary to hike steep, uneven terrain while carrying equipment. Prior to employment, applicant is required to satisfactorily complete the Moderate Duty Work Capacity Test and a 50-pound lift test.

Working Conditions and Risk Factors: Employee understands that work is performed primarily in forested wildland settings in all weather conditions, including temperature extremes, while carrying heavy equipment. This position requires use of protective devices such as masks, goggles, chaps, and gloves. This position requires travel to remote and isolated areas and hiking on extreme terrain, such as hills, slopes, grades and wetlands. The terrain will present numerous slipping and tripping hazards such as rocks and tree roots, mossy stones or logs, mud and water, or loose gravel. Employee will frequently work near moving mechanical parts and in high, precarious places. Employee may frequently be exposed to long periods of sunlight; extreme heat/fire; wet and/or humid conditions; smoke, fumes or airborne particles; vibration; and noise. There is a risk of death or injury from falling trees and natural hazards.

Application Process: Applications are available online at <https://www.northernsonomacountyfire.org/join>. Applications will be accepted via email, mail or hand delivery. Email applications to Anneke Turbeville at aturbeville@nosocofire.com, mail an original signed application to the Northern Sonoma County Fire Protection District, Post Office Box 217, Geyserville, CA 95441, or hand deliver to 20975 Geyserville Avenue, Geyserville, CA 95441. Be prepared to bring your driver's license and a copy of your high school diploma, or equivalent, to your oral interview. Failure to comply with the process and appropriate requirements may result in rejection of your application. The selection process will include one or more of the following components: application review, oral interview, background investigation and physical fitness testing.

For more information about the position contact Anneke Turbeville at aturbeville@nosocofire.com

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