Minnesota Forest Resource Council
Executive Director

The Minnesota Forest Resource Council (MFRC) is seeking an experienced manager to provide executive leadership to the Council and its staff in coordinating the implementation of the Minnesota Sustainable Forest Resource Act. The MFRC is comprised of 17 members who are appointed by the Governor; and a staff of 6 professionals. It recommends to the Governor, federal, state, county and local governments, policies and practices to ensure sustainable management, use, and protection of Minnesota’s forest resources.

For over 20 years, the council has played an integral role in depoliticizing complex forest issues and helping Minnesota’s citizens, lawmakers, and forest professionals make sound decisions regarding the stewardship of public and private forest lands. The council acts as a catalyst for new landscape-level cooperative models and championing long-term ecosystem integrity.

The role of the Executive Director is to provide strategic short and long range direction to both Council members and staff regarding Minnesota’s forest resources; to design and implement policies and programs to address complex, multi-jurisdictional forest resource issues; and, utilize effective written and oral communication skills to coordinate and collaborate with multiple constituencies.

Qualified candidates will have strong leadership skills with the ability to provide strategic direction and operational effectiveness; knowledge of forest management and ecosystem practices, along with principles of sustainable use; ability to work within the legislative process; and, to communicate effectively with diverse audiences ranging from private business leaders to legislators to members of the staff. Knowledge of public and private forestry programs, regulations directing use and management of forest resources, and research best practices would also be helpful.

Interested applicants are invited to submit an on-line application by August 31, 2017 at: www.careers.state.mn.us Job ID: 15329. For additional information contact: Forrest Boe, at forrest.boe@state.mn.us.