



IOWA DNR

JOB VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Forestry Section– (2) Maintenance Worker 1

Work Locations:

(2) at Iowa DNR Wallace State office building, 502 E 9th St Des Moines with statewide travel

Application deadline: March 27, 2020

Salary: \$13.53 - 19.26 per hour (\$1,082.40 to 1,540.80 biweekly)

Hours: 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. – 40 hours per week

Start Date: May 11, 2020 (some flexibility on exact date)

End Date: August 14, 2020 (some flexibility on exact date)

Job Description:

Under the guidance of DNR Foresters, work independently to survey trees and monitor pests. Deliver education and outreach on trees and forest health. Provide forestry technical assistance to landowners and local governments.

Forest Health Seasonal Duties:

- Contact public and private landowners to obtain permission to trap
- Assemble gypsy moth traps
- Navigate to trap locations in assigned area to place traps
- Respect private property and carefully adhere to all landowner requests (e.g., providing notification of planned arrival date, selecting parking location, gate closure, etc.)
- Return to trap locations to collect traps
- Record trap data accurately
- Collect declining tree samples
- Assist in the Forest Health Lab

Urban Forestry Seasonal Duties:

- Assists Urban Forestry staff in developing communication materials such as but not limited to newsletters, publications, fact sheets, news releases, social media and the web
- Conduct conservation education programs and plantings such as Trees for Kids
- Cooperate with Forestry Extension to assist with Forestry Field days and the Community Tree Steward program
- Assist foresters with urban forestry related activities such as city public/private tree inventories and canopy cover assessments
- Assist foresters with tree risk assessments for the benefit of public safety
- Provide urban and community forestry technical assistance volunteer leaders, tree boards and other groups

Provide urban forestry recommendations such as species selection, stormwater mitigation, disaster preparation, and long term / master planning

Potential Additional Duties for Forestry Section Seasonals:

- Assist at the State Forest Nursery
- Assist with federal grant work
- Assist the Forestry Specialist on the Bonded Timber Buyers Program and other related programs
- Assist District Foresters as needed

*Housing is not provided with this position.

**Minimum
Qualifications:**

- College graduate with a degree in forestry, entomology, plant pathology, horticulture or another closely related natural resource field
~OR~
Enrolled in undergraduate program, with a major in forestry, entomology, plant pathology, horticulture or another closely related natural resource field
- Able to withstand physically demanding work, including navigating rough terrain, walking at least 8 miles a day, carrying heavy equipment, frequent lifting, bending, and hauling
- Able to work outdoors in all weather conditions and to travel on overnight duties
- Work with minimal supervision; demonstrate responsible behavior and attention to detail
- Must have a valid motor vehicle operator's license
- Able to work alone or as part of a team, with the public, in all conditions, on weekends, holidays, nights, and evenings as required
- Able to navigate using maps and/or GPS
- Able to accurately collect and record detailed information for scientific monitoring
- Must be a minimum of 18 years of age
- Must be available for all interviews and training as required
- Follow policy and cooperate with supervisors and co-workers
- Exhibit honesty and integrity

- Display a high level of initiative, effort and commitment towards completing assignments efficiently
- Able to use microsoft suit, databases, and create reports
- Experience and training with chainsaws and first aid/CPR preferred

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To Apply:

To receive full consideration, you must email a cover letter, resume, and three professional or educational references to jeff.goerndt@dnr.iowa.gov

Or mail above listed items to:

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