

Senior Policy Advisor, Forest Management

The Job

Are you a policy professional looking to contribute to the sustainable management of Ontario's forests? As a Senior Policy Advisor, you will lead the development of forest policy for Ontario's Crown forests by leading/participating on multi-disciplinary policy teams, conducting policy research and analysis and providing advice in support of the development and implementation of forest policies and programs with a focus on policies guiding verification of Sustainable Forest Management.

The Ministry

The purpose of the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry is to provide opportunities for resource development and outdoor recreation for the continuous economic and social benefit of the people of Ontario; and to administer, protect, and conserve public lands and waters. The ministry's programs are concerned with the use of the physical resources such as land, water, trees, fish, animals and certain minerals for resource utilization and recreation.

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The Branch

Crown Forests and Lands Policy Branch provides leadership in policy, legislation and regulation development and program design that advance the management and stewardship of Ontario's Crown forests and Crown lands.

The Location

Sault Ste. Marie offers a family-oriented lifestyle, with affordable housing, a wide range of educational opportunities across the full spectrum from junior kindergarten through university, new hospital facilities, and a tremendous variety of indoor and outdoor recreational opportunities and facilities. Imagine the time you would have with a 20-minute or less commute to work each day. Living in the "Soo" means you are only minutes away from all the hiking, biking, boating, skiing, snowmobiling, fishing and outdoor adventures you could dream of – with the added bonus of all that the Upper Peninsula of Michigan has to offer! Learn more about beautiful [Sault Ste. Marie](#).

Why work for the Ontario Public Service?

The Ontario Public Service (OPS) is committed to being an employer of first choice, creating a positive and inclusive work environment.

We offer:

- [Competitive compensation and benefits](#)
- Flexible work arrangements
- Collegial and professional work culture
- Career growth and development opportunities across multiple business areas
- On-the-job training to support your success in the role

What can I expect to do in this role?

In this job, you will:

- Lead and coordinate the development of forest policy, including legislation and regulations
 - Oversee and project manage the review, development, transfer and support for forest policy initiatives
 - Lead consultation with Indigenous communities, other ministries, stakeholders and the public on forest policy initiatives
 - Research, analyze, and evaluate forest policy
 - Provide strategic forest policy interpretation, advice, support and expertise to divisional senior management
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How do I qualify?

Policy Expertise

- You have experience conducting policy research, development and analysis
- You can lead policy initiatives to provide advice, expertise and recommendations to branch management

Project Management Skills

- You can plan, lead and manage legislation and policy development projects
- You can lead the development, control and management of policy development project budgets and resources

Communication and Interpersonal Skills

- You can lead consultations, promote Ministry initiatives and represent the ministry on committees
- You can effectively collaborate with people representing potentially divergent views
- You can prepare and present a wide variety of correspondence that include complex analyses, strategies and recommendations

Analytical and Problem-Solving skills

- You can interpret and apply legislation, policies and procedures related to forestry and Ontario's forest management system
- You can identify, analyze and assess forest policy issues to develop issues management strategies and solutions
- You have political acuity to ensure that policy recommendations reflect the overall Ministry direction and objectives

Salary Range: \$71,955 - \$106,033 per year

Additional information:

- 3 Permanent, 70 Foster Dr, Sault Ste Marie, North Region

Please apply online, only, at www.ontario.ca/careers, quoting **Job ID 148323**, by **Thursday, April 9, 2020**. Please follow the instructions to submit your application. Faxes are not being accepted at this time.

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