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Area Forester

Ministry of Environment
Prince Albert, SK

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The Ministry of Environment takes a team-based approach to protect Saskatchewan's environment for the wellbeing of the province, its people, and its future. We use science-based solutions and environmental laws to help safeguard communities, protect our air, land, water, and habitat. We are committed to providing superior citizen and client satisfaction through workplace excellence, continuous improvement, and innovation. Our leaders demonstrate the Government of Saskatchewan's commitment to ensuring workplace health and safety.

Are you a proactive, self-directed, leader with the ability to work successfully in a team environment? Do you have a desire to foster a positive health and safety culture and increase your technical knowledge related to forestry? The Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment has an exciting Area Forester opportunity in the Forest Service Branch located in Prince Albert. Our Area Forester supports the sustainable growth of Saskatchewan's forest sector within the Prince Albert region.

As the Area Forester you will:

- lead a team of operations staff responsible for regulating forest industry operations and ensuring compliance on Crown forest lands;
- lead the review and approval of forest industry operating plans which authorize the harvest of forest products;
- develop and monitor performance of assigned staff and/or people under your direction;
- delegate work assignments/activities to meet unit, branch and ministry objectives and mandate;
- foster a productive, effective, healthy, and respectful work environment; and
- oversee compliance related activities within the Prince Albert Area including field investigations, either self-initiated or in response to complaints/inquiries, gather necessary information and evidence, determine appropriate response, formulate and implement a course of action.

The successful candidate will have:

- demonstrated ability to guide, develop, and coach a diverse group of employees, that results in a team that can meet its goals and objectives and build organizational capacity for the future, while maintaining a healthy, productive, respectful and safe work environment that is free of discrimination;
- knowledge of principles related to ecosystem-based forest management and legislation related to the utilization and administration of forest resources;
- knowledge of harvesting, road construction and decommissioning, water crossing installation and reclamation, and boreal forest silviculture;
- knowledge of process and policy development, and the strategic planning process;
- knowledge of compliance and enforcement theories including natural resource law principles;
- demonstrated ability to plan, facilitate and lead public consultation processes with a variety of stakeholders and First Nations and Metis communities, to develop and implement sustainable forest management strategies;

The successful candidate must be committed to workplace health and safety and willing to fulfill working conditions including:

- fieldwork year-round and travel throughout Saskatchewan including remote locations and overnight stays away from home; and
- operation of a 4-wheel drive pick-up truck and all-terrain vehicles in off road conditions while in full rain gear speckled with mud.

Typically, the competencies required for this position would be obtained through the completion of a Bachelor of Science in Forestry degree combined with significant forest industry or government forestry agency experience with forest operations

including: operational planning, harvesting, road construction and decommissioning, water crossing installation and reclamation, and boreal forest silviculture.

The successful candidate must possess a valid driver's license and be eligible to obtain membership as an RPF within the Association of Saskatchewan Forestry Professionals within two years of commencement.

Closing Date: June 5, 2022

Competition Number: ENV002099

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