

**Lumberjack RC&D Council, Inc.**  
**POSITION DESCRIPTION**

Botanist

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Lumberjack RC&D is a non-profit organization contracted primarily by the State of Wisconsin to collect data on permanent inventory plots across the State of Wisconsin.

Lumberjack RC&D has a history of efficiently turning in high quality data and is currently looking for a quality and efficiency minded person to assist the permanent inventory crews during the summer of 2009.

This position entails collecting field data on vegetation on Phase 3 permanent forest inventory plots (WisCFI) in Wisconsin State Forests. The successful candidate will work with fulltime foresters. Each team member will be responsible for the quality and timely collection of their portion of the data collected on each inventory plot.

This position may require extensive travel across the State. The amount of travel will depend on the field office the successful candidate is assigned to.

**Description of Duties**

Job duties will include, but not be limited to the following:

- 1) Attend the Phase 3 certification trainings (tentative dates are 1 day around May 26<sup>th</sup> and the week of June 1-5) and pass the Vegetation certification exam.
- 2) Collect detailed measurements on the different forest strata, including herb, shrub and tree.
- 3) Compile a complete plant list of the survey areas.
- 4) Habitat type the inventory plot area.
- 5) Assist other crew members with their duties when possible.

**Wages**

\$18.00/hour, \$27.00/hour overtime

**Employment Class**

Full Time Temporary

The position runs from late May 2009 through roughly late August to mid-September 2009. The position ends when all field plots for the year are completed.

**Benefits**

Per Diem (\$30.00/full travel day, \$22.50/partial travel day) will be paid, and Hotel (maximum \$70.00/night) will be reimbursed while on travel.

No other benefits are offered with this position

**Location**

Statewide

**Desired Qualifications**

Must possess a degree in Botany, or in lieu of a degree have proven experience working as an accomplished field botanist.

Candidate must possess basic measurement and compass skills and be prepared to work outdoors in all weather and conditions (heat, rain, bugs, swamps...).

Must be able to work unsupervised both independently and as a team member.

Ability to follow sampling protocols is essential.

Basic knowledge of computer operation is required; good organizational skills and legible handwriting/printing a must.

A valid driver's license is required.

**Hours**

Hours will be variable depending on weather, plot conditions and individual crew members. Most weeks will consist of 40 hours; overtime (over 40hrs/week) is not uncommon, although some weeks may be slightly under 40 hours. The candidate should expect some days to start early and end late, while other days may be less than 8 hours.

**Application Deadline**

May 1, 2009

**Application Procedure**

Send letter of introduction, resume and three references to:

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