

Superior National Forest
OUTREACH NOTICE
Permanent Full-time
Forestry Technician (Timber Sale Prep), GS-0462-6/7
Aurora, MN, Cook, MN, and Ely, MN

The Superior National Forest is seeking interested candidates for up to three Permanent Forestry Technician Positions. One on the LaCroix Ranger District with a duty location of Cook, MN, one on the Laurentian Ranger District with a Duty Location of Aurora, MN and one at the Kawishiwi Ranger District with a Duty Location of Ely, MN. If you are interested in being considered return the enclosed outreach notice to ajewell@fs.fed.us by **February 19th 2015**.

About the Positions

Core responsibilities for the positions include: Timber marking, timber cruising, cruise design, sale layout and leading a marking crew of 1 to 3 individuals. Frequently using ArcMap, Global Positioning System (GPS), maps, aerial photographs and orienteering skills. The selected individual(s) will be required to interpret silvicultural prescriptions and marking guides while designating timber for harvest. This position will maintain the project sale folder. This position will assist with training seasonal crews, leading Job Hazard Analysis discussions and performing tailgate safety sessions.

The Superior National Forest is located in the northeast tip of Minnesota and is sandwiched between Lake Superior and the Canadian border. One third of its three million acres contains the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness (BWCAW). The National Forest has over 2,000 lakes, 3,400 miles of streams, hosts 27 Forest Service campgrounds, nine Minnesota DNR campgrounds, 2,200 developed campsites within the BWCAW, and 254 back country campsites outside the Wilderness. These camping areas provide quick access to 354 fishing lakes, 162 public boat landings, 29 picnic areas, 400 miles of designated hiking trails, 450 miles of groomed cross-country ski trails, and over 1500 miles of canoe routes through the BWCAW.

Aurora, Minnesota is 60 miles north of Duluth, Minnesota. Five other small cities are located within 20 miles of Aurora. Surrounding rural communities also provide opportunities for housing outside Aurora. The local economy is based primarily on taconite mining. Tourism is also important, including income from all-season visitors. Outdoor recreational opportunities include deer and small-game hunting, snowmobiling, downhill and cross-country skiing, biking and hiking. Lakes and rivers for fishing, boating, canoeing and swimming are located within close proximity to all communities. There are numerous golf courses in the area, in addition to Giants Ridge Golf and Ski resort which is located within five miles of Aurora. Health care facilities in Aurora and Virginia include a hospital and a clinic. The K-12 public school system in Aurora and Virginia provide a curriculum including college level courses. A community college is located in Eveleth/Virginia. Many area churches serve various faiths. More information on Aurora, Minnesota can be found at: www.ci.aurora.mn.us

Cook, Minnesota is 90 miles north of Duluth, Minnesota and 25 miles north of Virginia, Minnesota and other Iron Range communities. There is ample housing available in the area communities and surrounding rural area. The local economy is largely supported by the timber industry and tourism, including all season visitation. Lake Vermilion and access to the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness are found just north of Cook. Outdoor recreational opportunities include deer and small-game hunting, snowmobiling, cross-country skiing, biking and hiking. Lakes and rivers for fishing, boating, canoeing and swimming are located within close proximity to all communities. There are numerous golf courses in the area, in addition to The Wilderness at the Fortune Bay Resort and Casino which is located within 15 miles of Cook. Health care facilities in Cook and Virginia include a hospital and a clinic. The K-12 public school system in Cook and Virginia provide a curriculum including college level courses. A community college is located in Eveleth/Virginia. Many area churches serve various faiths. More information on Cook, Minnesota can be found at: www.cookminnesota.com.

Ely, Minnesota is located in the heart of the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness (BWCAW). It has a population of around 3,500 year round residents and the town includes: * Medical Center <http://www.essentiahealth.org/ElyClinic/FindaClinic/Essentia-HealthEly-Clinic-50.aspx> * Vermillion Community College www.vcc.edu/

- * Vibrant local arts community with a community theatre
- * International Wolf Center, and the North American Bear Center
- * Recreation facilities (golf course, hockey arena, athletic fields, etc)
- * Outdoor recreational activities including fishing, hunting, cross-country skiing, hiking, boating, canoeing , snowmobiling, and a host of other activities at your doorstep Additional information regarding Ely can be found at: <http://www.ely.mn.us/>, <http://www.ely.org/>, <http://elyminnesota.com/>

Ari Jewell at (218) 666-0026 / ajewell@fs.fed.us would be glad to provide additional information on the Cook, MN position and the community.

Ryan Siebold at (218) 229 -8826 / rsiebold@fs.fed.us would be glad to provide additional information on the Aurora, MN position and the community.

Craig Merriman at (218) 666 -0040 / cmerriman@fs.fed.us would be glad to provide additional information on the Ely, MN position and the community.

Additional information regarding the Superior National Forest can be found at the website: <http://www.fs.usda.gov/superior>

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Please indicate your interest in this position by completing and submitting this form to ***Ari Jewell at ajewell@fs.fed.us*** by ***February 17th, 2015***. This will help us determine the level of interest of prospective candidates in this opportunity and how we decide to advertise the position.

Check all that apply:

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Contact Information

Name:

E-mail address:

Contact Number:

Current Federal Employees:

Agency/Forest:

Series:

Grade:

Position Title:

Type Appointment:

Non-Federal Employees

Current Occupation:

Agency/Company:

Are you eligible to be hired under any of the following special authorities?

Person with Disability

Veterans Readjustment

Disabled Veterans w/30% Compensatory Disability

Veterans Employment Opportunities Act of 1998

Former Peace Corp Volunteer

Other _____

Applicants May Use This Space to Identify Special Qualifications, Interests, Needs or Provide Other Information:

We appreciate your interest in the Superior National Forest