

**Forestry Technician
Wayne National Forest
Athens Ranger District**

The **Wayne National Forest** will be filling a GS-0462-03 and/or GS-0462-04 (Timber Technician) Summer Temporary positions. Positions will have two local duty stations (Marietta and Nelsonville) located within Athens and Washington Counties, OH; both locations are for the **Athens Ranger District, Nelsonville, Ohio**. This notification is being circulated to inform interested individuals of this current opportunity.

These positions are being advertised under an open continuous announcement. The announcement numbers **OCRT-462-3-TSP-DT and OCRT-462-4-TSP-DT** can be searched on the AVUE website at (<https://www.avuedigitalservices.com/usfs/applicant.html>). **You must select either Nelsonville or Marietta, OH as your duty location.** Please apply by **April 16, 2012**.

DUTIES:

INTRODUCTORY STATEMENT: This position is established on a Forest Service unit to perform technical duties in support of the timber management program, and with other duties as assigned.

Timber Management Activities approximately 80%

Other duties as assigned approximately 20%

Timber management activities includes: selecting and marking individual trees for timber management/stand improvement, hiking through arduous terrain to perform timber sale preparation activities, conducting forest inventory (i.e. common stand exams) and forest monitoring work. Certain timber management work requires knowledge of vegetation species or the ability to learn species identification. Other skills and development will be ion assisting in the measurement of limiting distances, tree diameter and height, determining topographic slope & aspect and related fundamental timber cruising procedures. Incumbent must learn how to use tools such as diameter tape, compass, prism, and clinometer in performing standardized timber cruising work. Map reading skill will be necessary as well.

OTHER SIGNIFICANT FACTS:

Herbicide Application: It will be expected that employees will assist the district botany program which will require the use of herbicides. Personal protective equipment will be provided to the employees when herbicide is used. Physical fitness level must be enough to perform work assignments.

Factor 1-2

Knowledge needed in the Position

Knowledge needed are the technical methods and techniques of forestry and timber preparation work, including timber cruising.

Knowledge to operate basic equipment when (1) performing standardized tests or when taking readings and measurements and repetitively producing the same type of product or (2) assisting higher level technicians with the operation of more sophisticated equipment or equipment systems.

Factor 2-2**Scope and Effect**

The primary focus of the technician's work is to support an organization's resource management efforts from intensive, multiple-use natural resource management. The basic objectives of programs for resource management, protection, and development of forest lands and forest resources.

Work products affect the accuracy, reliability, or acceptability of further procedures, processes, or services. Therefore, the quality and accuracy of work is important.

Factor 3-2**Interpersonal Skill**

Personal contacts are with employees in the agency, inside and outside of the immediate organization. Personal contacts may be with the general public or special users, (e.g., private landowners, cooperators, or business persons).

Factor 4-2**Physical Demands & Work Environment**

The work requires regular and recurring physical exertion related to conservation work requiring walking on rough terrain, climbing steep banks, and jumping ditches and furrows. The duration of the activity contributes to the arduous nature of the job.

The work is performed in a forest environment where the terrain may be steep, uneven, rocky, and covered with thick and tangled vegetation. Temperatures may range from very hot and dry to cool and extremely wet. Rain, snow, wind, or dust may be encountered. May be exposed to irritant chemicals. Work requires the use of safety equipment such as boots, gloves, goggles, and hardhats.

CONTACT INFORMATION

If you are interested in applying for this position and would like more information, contact Connie Macek at (740) 753-0554 or (740) 753-0101, or e-mail to cmacek@fs.fed.us
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LOCATION:

Community Information:

The Athens Ranger District is located in Nelsonville in southeastern Ohio.

One of two districts on the Wayne National Forest, Athens Ranger District has two work units: the Athens unit and Marietta unit. Forest Service ownership is small block with private land inter-mixed throughout its' proclaimed political boundaries.

For further Wayne National Forest information, please go to www.fs.fed.us/r9/wayne.

No government housing is available. Transportation to and from the office is the responsibility of the applicant. Public transportation is limited.