The Ketchikan Misty Fjord Ranger District, Tongass National Forest is currently recruiting for temporary Forestry Technician (GS-0462-4/GS-0462-5) positions for the 2019 field season. These positions will provide unique opportunities for career development and enhancement with on the job training in the field of forestry while working in one of the most dynamic regions of the United States.

Work assignments include assisting District Foresters with timber sale unit preparation, logging road design, and timber volume estimation. Selected applicants will utilize forest mensuration equipment, GPS technology, and analytical software programs to determine logging systems feasibility, develop unit boundaries, and cruise timber. Applicants must be physically able to hike through rugged and uneven terrain for extended periods of time and work in prolonged periods of adverse weather conditions common to Southeast Alaska on a daily basis.

During the field season, the timber sale preparation crew often works from various remote field camps and/or floating barge camps with travel to and from the field via boat, float plane or helicopter. The field season typically begins early to mid-April and extend into November (weather permitting). Appointment length and start/end dates are flexible. Work schedules will allow for opportunity to recreate in some of the most incredible country in Southeast Alaska during time off. Housing is available on a first come basis.

Working in southeast Alaska is an experience like none other. For information about how to apply and when our announcement will be available on usajobs.gov and/or if you would like to learn more about this opportunity on the Tongass National Forest please contact Brock Martin, Supervisory Forester, at (907) 228-4119 or brockmartin@fs.fed.us. I look forward to hearing from you.

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