Seeking Conservation Forester, Tennessee Business Unit of The Nature Conservancy

The Tennessee Chapter of The Nature Conservancy seeks a talented conservation-minded forester to help build a rapidly emerging Forest Conservation Program. The forester leads forest management planning and communications with private and public landowners, and implementation of forest inventories, certification and harvesting operations. He/She assists with scoping, developing and monitoring carbon projects to support the Working Woodlands Program and TNC’s climate resilience strategies. The Conservation Forester ensures that the Conservancy’s forest practices balance sustainability and a commitment to long-term forest resiliency while demonstrating proof of concept for novel economic models of forest conservation in Tennessee and the Central Appalachians. She/he also leads operations and management of the Tennessee Chapter's flagship forest preserve, the Bridgestone Nature Reserve at Chestnut Mountain on the Cumberland Plateau.

Responsibilities and scope include: implementing forest inventories and carbon opportunity summaries for private and public landowners, conducting forest and ecological inventories and develop certified forest management plans for private landowners, partners and TNC preserves and overseeing contractors, forestry consultants and loggers.

Candidates should have a Bachelor’s degree in forestry or related field and 2 years of work experience at a minimum with a Master’s degree in forestry or related field and 3 years work experience in forestry or related field preferred. Experience with forest carbon markets, prescribed fire and knowledge of or demonstrated capability in learning the natural history and ecosystems of Tennessee and/or the Central Appalachians are also desired.

Applicants may review the full job description and instructions for application at on the link below.

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