City of New York Parks & Recreation

Civil Service Title: Forester Title Code No: 81361 Office Title: Forester

Citywide Job Vacancy Notice Job ID № 191646

Level: II New Hire Rate: \$50,000 Incumbent Rate: \$52,460 Work Location: TBD Number of Positions: 16

The mission of Forestry, Horticulture, and Natural Resources is to protect, restore, expand and manage New York City's natural spaces and green infrastructure. The division is responsible for citywide urban forestry, ecological and horticulture initiatives.

MAJOR RESPONSIBILITIES

- Under general supervision, perform advanced professional forestry functions in the field and office; perform related work.
- Enforce Parks Department standards for tree pruning, removal, planting and replacement. Assess work to be done by contractors; engage in directly and supervise employees involved in professional forestry activities.
- Consult with engineers, developers and contractors on a regular basis throughout projects.
- Schedule and supervise field surveys and inspections to assess the conditions of trees for health, structure, insect and disease.
- Compile and manage street tree planting contracts. Survey sites for planting potential and make decisions regarding species selection and site design. Inspect and tag trees at local nurseries. Perform post-planting field inspections and inspect trees
- Respond to citizen inquiries and maintain working relationships with community boards, community groups and officials within and outside of the agency. Coordinate community-based greening efforts and lead tree stewardship workshops.
- Examine other agency and permit applications to assess impact on trees and landscapes and/or issue tree planting permits.
- Manage borough-wide tree database and track, monitor and produce reports on budgets, productivity, accomplishments and program status updates.

QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

- 1. A Master's Degree from an accredited university with specialization in Forestry or a related subject; or
- 2. A baccalaureate degree from an accredited college with specialization in Forestry or a related subject and one year of full time professional experience in forestry or arboricultural work; or
- 3. An associate degree from an accredited college with specialization in Forestry or a related subject and 3 years of full time professional experience in forestry or arboricultural work; or
- 4. Education and/or experience equivalent to "1", "2", or "3" above.

This position is exempt from NYC residency requirements.

LICENSE REQUIREMENT

A Motor Vehicle driver's license valid in the State of New York.

PREFERRED SKILLS/QUALIFICATIONS

- 1. Proficiency in Microsoft Office.
- 2. Excellent communication and interpersonal skills. Experience working with the public.
- 3. Ability to work independently.

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