

CITY OF NEW YORK PARKS & RECREATION CITYWIDE JOB VACANCY NOTICE: Job ID No. 541791

Office Title: Senior Natural Resource Specialist Civil Service Title: City Research Scientist Title Code No: 21744 Level: II Salary: \$75,504 - \$86,830 Number of Positions: 1 Work Location: Arsenal North, Manhattan

The mission of the Natural Resources Team within the Division of Environment and Planning is to protect, restore, expand and manage New York City's natural spaces and green infrastructure to maximize their benefits to both ecological function and quality of life. The division is responsible for planning, citywide urban forestry, ecological and horticulture initiatives. Our core values are: Champion Urban Nature, Apply Science and Embrace Innovation, Be Respectful and Inclusive and Advance an Ecological Legacy.

Major Responsibilities

- Under the direction of the Chief of Natural Resources and Senior Scientist, serve as the interagency point of contact for the division of Environment and Planning for the protection of natural areas (e.g., forests, wetlands, grasslands) from impacts due to construction on or adjacent to NYC Parks property.
- Review all proposals, plans, designs, contracts, permits, construction documents and specifications generated internally, by other agencies, or the private sector that may have an impact on the restoration, protection, or management of the City's natural areas.
- Serve as technical liaison on and coordinate responses related to protection & encroachment issues for the division of Environment and Planning to other divisions within NYC Parks and to outside agencies. Facilitate sharing and communicating ecological and environmental information within NYC Parks and with external partners to support natural areas protection and minimize impacts to natural areas.
- Employ and help improve standard methods for rapid assessment of field conditions; conduct field investigations, as well as desktop historical investigations as needed.
- Provide clear and justifiable assessments of the environmental impacts, as well as recommendations for design
 modifications or other approaches to minimize ecological damage, while enabling ecologically-sensitive
 development, infrastructure repair or improvements.
- Provide technical expertise and guidance, as appropriate, regarding on-site management, ecological restoration design development, and environmental monitoring and assessment, including disseminating information about natural resource protection and management plans and policies.
- Manage site-specific ecological restoration projects, protection projects, or policy initiatives.

Qualification Requirements

- 1. A doctorate degree from an accredited college or university with specialization in an appropriate field of physical, biological, environmental, or social science and one year of full-time experience in a responsible supervisory, administrative or research capacity in the appropriate field of specialization; or
- 2. A master's degree from an accredited college or university with specialization in an appropriate field of physical, biological, environmental or social science and three years of responsible full-time experience in the appropriate field of specialization, including one year of full-time experience in a responsible supervisory, administrative or research capacity in the appropriate field of specialization; or
- 3. Education and/or experience which is equivalent to "1" or "2" above. However, all candidates must have a master's degree in an appropriate field of specialization and one year of full-time experience in a responsible supervisory, administrative, or research capacity as described in "2" above.

Residency in New York City, Nassau, Orange, Rockland, Suffolk, Putnam, or Westchester counties required for employees with over two years of city service. New York City residency required within 90 days of hire for all other candidates.

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Preferred Skills/Qualifications

- 1. Five years of experience in project management, administrative, interagency coordination and/or monitoring/assessment capacity in land management, ecology, or a related field.
- 2. Demonstrated accomplishments in the application of ecology, environmental science, urban planning, or landscape design to natural resource management, restoration and protection as evidenced by publications or presentations, for example.
- 3. Excellent project management, administrative, and communication skills.
- 4. Familiarity with a broad range of field methodologies and analytical approaches in a range of Mid-Atlantic habitat and ecosystem types.
- 5. Familiarity with review of design and construction plans, CEQR applications, and/or related documents
- 6. Knowledge of environmental protection, regulatory agency structure and processes as well as the divisions and/or government operations responsible for environmental protection.
- 7. Knowledge of the flora and fauna of the New York area.
- 8. Experience using GIS and GPS and other mapping tools.
- 9. Valid New York State Driver License.

Vaccination Requirement: As of August 2, 2021, all new hires must be vaccinated against the COVID-19 virus, unless they have been granted a reasonable accommodation for religion or disability. If you are offered city employment, this requirement must be met by your date of hire, unless a reasonable accommodation for exemption is received and approved by the hiring agency.

How to Apply Parks Employees:

 From a Parks computer: Access Employee Self Service (ESS) from the Parks Intranet under Applications or use this link: <u>https://hrb.nycaps.nycnet/</u>. Once in ESS, go to Recruiting then Careers and search for Job ID# 541791. Do not access ESS using nyc.gov/ess from a Parks computer.

2) Parks & City Employees:

From a Non-Parks computer: Access **Employee Self Service (ESS)** by going to **nyc.gov/ess** or use this link: <u>https://a127-ess.nyc.gov/</u>. Once in **ESS**, go to Recruiting then Careers and search for **Job ID# 541791**.

Include your ERN and Job ID# 541791 on your cover letter and resume.

All other applicants:

Click here to apply: <u>Senior Natural Resource Specialist</u> OR Go to nyc.gov/careers/search and search for **Job ID# 541791**.

POST DATE: 07/22/2022

POST UNTIL: 08/19/2022

NOTE: All resumes must be received no later than the last day of the posting period. References will be required upon request.

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