

### Class Concept

This is professional work specializing in a primary program area but may be required to work across a broad range of program areas as needed. Employees report to a professional forestry supervisor and are usually assigned a statewide program area. Other related duties may be assigned as necessary. May involve research and development in North Carolina Forest Service programs having a statewide impact. Provides technical supervision and program oversight to Forestry Technicians and Foresters I and II. Work is further distinguished from that recognized in the Forester II by a significant level of responsibility and accountability to include more technical program complexity, more technical oversight, and more work planning, training, and implementation, each over a larger or more complex geographical or program area.

### Recruitment Standards

#### Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities

- Thorough knowledge of the principles and practices of forestry as they apply to the specific assigned program area
- Ability to gather and present technical information effectively in oral and written form
- Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships
- Physical stamina to work outdoors for long periods of time under adverse conditions

#### Minimum Education and Experience

Bachelor's degree in forestry from a Society of American Foresters (SAF) accredited institution and three years of related professional Forestry experience; or

Registered by the NC Board of Registration for Foresters and three years of related professional post registration Forestry experience; or an equivalent combination of education and experience.

#### Necessary Special Requirement

Those not registered at the time of hire must obtain registration as a Forester from the NC Board of Registration for Foresters within one year of employment.