# Class Concept

Work in this class involves providing a variety of forestry services that may include fire suppression, forest law enforcement, forest protection, forest management, and information/education, and/or disaster/emergency response within an assigned unit such as a county forestry program, educational state forest, forest nursery, Youthful Offenders Program, or other forestry program. Work is typically overseen by a Forestry Technician II and may involve the supervision and training of temporary employees, mainly in the absence of the Forestry Technician II. Other related duties may be assigned as necessary. Work is subject to hazards such as fire, pests, wild animals, weather, and difficult terrain. Work is also subject to on-call and rotating shifts and rotation of work areas.

### Recruitment Standards

# Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities

- General knowledge of programs and services delivered by the North Carolina Forest Service.
- Basic knowledge of wild land fire control strategy and firefighting techniques, protocols, and safety practices.
- Basic knowledge of forest management practices including surveying, GPS, best management practices, and applicable environmental regulations.
- Ability to communicate effectively and establish effective working relationships with the public and other agency personnel including the ability to train and educate others on fire control and forest management related topics.
- Ability to secure cooperation of the public and other agency personnel in fire prevention and control activities.

### Minimum Training and Experience

Associate's degree in forest management or an environmental or natural science curriculum from an appropriately accredited institution; or

High school or General Educational Development (GED) diploma and two years of related experience in providing forestry services; or an equivalent combination of training and experience.

### **Necessary Special Qualification**

Possession of a valid North Carolina driver's license required within 90 days of hire.