



Position Title: Wildfire Effects & Watershed Rehabilitation Technician
Collaborating Agencies: Rocky Mountain Research Station (USFS) & CSU
Dates: mid-May through August 2017 (and possibly longer)
Salary: Contingent upon experience (probable range \$14.00 - \$16.00/hr)

JOB OVERVIEW:

We are hiring technicians to assist with a variety of research projects on the consequences of wildfire and forest road rehabilitation on stream nutrient retention, plant communities and soil productivity.

POSITION DETAILS:

These are full-time, non-exempt positions, based in Fort Collins, Colorado. Work will start in mid May 2017 and continue until August 2017. Work will require daily travel to field sites, occasional overnight lodging at the Manitou Experimental Forest, Fraser Experimental Forest, and may involve occasional camping.

PRIMARY TECHNICAL DUTIES:

Collection, preparation and analysis of stream water and soil samples
Stream nutrient injection
Understory plant and forest sampling

REQUIREMENTS:

- Enrollment/completion of BSc degree in hydrology, soils, forestry, ecology, biology, or related field.
- Familiarity with Rocky Mountain herbaceous and woody plant identification
- Ability to prepare accurate and legible notes and labels
- Familiarity with handheld GPS units and mapping software
- Punctuality and dependability
- Excellent physical condition
- Experience and interest in hiking, backcountry orienteering, travel and first aid
- Valid driver's license. Experience operating 4-wheel drive vehicles is preferred.

Work requires strenuous physical exertion, such as hiking with heavy field gear over steep terrain and through dense vegetation and logging slash. Work is often done in remote, isolated areas and inclement (rainy, cold, and hot) weather conditions.

HOW TO APPLY:

Send resume, transcripts, verification of university enrollment, reference contact information to:

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