#### CITY OF NEW YORK PARKS & RECREATION



CITYWIDE JOB VACANCY NOTICE: Job ID No. 293542

Office Title: Forester

Civil Service Title: Forester Title Code No: 81361 Level: Il Salary: New Hire Rate: \$51,000 Incumbent Rate: \$55,385

Number of Positions: TBD Work Location: TBD

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 college or university, with a specialization in forestry or a related subject; or
- 2. A baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university, with a 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 or university, with a specialization in forestry or a related subject and three years of full-time professional experience in forestry or arboricultural work; or
- 4. A satisfactory combination of education and/or experience that is equivalent to "1", "2", or "3" above. However, all candidates must have at least an associate degree with a specialization in forestry or a related subject.

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. Candidate holds a permanent or non-competitive title.
- 2. Proficiency in Microsoft Office.
- 3. Excellent communication and interpersonal skills. Experience working with the public.
- 4. Ability to work independently.

# How to Apply

# City employees:

Apply through **Employee Self Service (ESS)** under Recruiting Activities and search for **Job ID#** 293542 Include your ERN on all correspondence.

### All other applicants:

Click here to apply: Forester OR

Go to nyc.gov/careers/search and search for Job ID# 293542

POST DATE: 07/07/17 POST UNTIL: FILLED

NOTE: References will be required upon request.

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