

Title: Open Space Technician

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Reports To: Open Space Manager **Department:** Open Space

Position Level: Non-Exempt

Job Type: Temporary (potential to extend)

<u>Salary:</u> \$15/hr. - \$20/hr. <u>Start Date:</u> May 2020

End Date: TBD

General Purpose:

Genesee is a unique residential community located in a biologically diverse foothills ecosystem. The foothills climate zone is an ecological transition between the lower elevation plains and higher elevation mountain zones. Ponderosa pine and Douglas-fir forests dominate the landscape in Genesee, with juniper trees found at lower elevations and warmer south facing slopes. Shade-tolerant Douglas fir trees are located at higher elevations and north facing slopes. The transitional nature of the foothills ecosystem is a key factor contributing to its rich biological diversity. The Open Space department is responsible for maintaining 1,200 acres for the community. Wildlife, forestry and natural resources management are a top priority of Genesee Open Space. We are a pioneer member of the Firewise Community program. Starting and ending dates are flexible for the perspective candidate. These positions can last up to 7-9 months depending on management needs and funding.

Minimum Requirements:

- Must have a valid driver's license or the ability to obtain a driver's license by the employment start date
- Ability to operate 4-wheel drive vehicles in variable weather & road conditions
- Ability or willingness to learn how to operate chainsaws. logging/forestry equipment, & perform strenuous

- outdoor work in a variety of weather conditions
- Ability & willingness to work long hours with occasional evening & weekend duties (work based on a 40hour work week)
- Demonstrated ability to work as a member of a team

Duties/Responsibilities:

- Assist with noxious weed control
- Help maintain Genesee's Trail System
- Endurance to hike on a regular basis in any weather
- Ability to drive trucks, tractors & LITVs
- Cruising & data collection for forestwide inventory
- Ability to use: hand tools, back pack sprayer, compass, inventory tools, etc.

- Chainsaw operation thinning, firewood, & defensible space work
- Assisting with forest treatment layout - cruising, boundary delineation, & marking
- Various GPS & GIS applications
- Assisting with assessment & treatment of insect/disease projects
- General labor facility & equipment maintenance, minor construction projects, etc.



Working Conditions:

Material and equipment directly used: All hand and power tools, chainsaw, chemicals, pool equipment, tractor, crack filler. Working environment: Shop, all tools and business vehicle provided. Work indoors and outdoors in all weather conditions. Work is hands on and involves heavy lifting and endurance. Work may involve lifting 50 (+/-) pounds, **Must work July 4th**, **2020**.

Education & Experience:

- Training and/or experience with ArcGIS and/or GPS systems is preferred
- Ability to identify Colorado native & non-native plant species is preferred
- Knowledge of restoration techniques, forest management, weed management, wildlife management, & fire mitigation
- Experience conducting natural resource surveys, data collection, reporting, monitoring, etc.
- Experience with MS Word, Excel, PowerPoint, internet, e-mail, GPS and ArcGIS
- Ability to communicate effectively both verbal & written

Questions:

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To Apply:

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