**Job Announcement**

## **20240101 Temporary Watershed Forestry Technician**

## **CLOSING DATE: Open Until Filled**

## **APPLY ONLINE AT LONGMONTCOLORADO.GOV/JOBS**

Department: External Services

Division: Natural Resources

Hiring Range: $28.05 - $31.17/hour

Various shifts, Some evenings and weekends

Position reports to and works all shifts at Button Rock Preserve outside Lyons, CO.

Part Time Temporary

Benefits include:

Benefits required by law are included such as Jury & Witness Duty, Sick Leave, Social Security, and Medicare.

**Open Until Filled positions may close without advance notice. To be considered, please apply as soon as possible.**

# **Definition:**

Performs a wide variety of semi-skilled and skilled tasks related to forestry operations, vegetation management, wildlife management and grounds maintenance at City of Longmont’s Button Rock Preserve and other City owned lands with natural resource or water resource values.

# **Principal Duties:**

* Assist the Watershed Ranger and Senior Watershed Ranger with all forestry operations field related tasks, including surveying and marking trees and directional tree felling, skidding, forwarding, processing, and transport of wood material.
* Operate and maintain a variety of chainsaws, hand and power tools, small and heavy equipment such as chippers, dump trucks, trailers, skid steers, tractors, and other specialized forestry equipment.
* Serve as a lead worker supervising volunteer and Youth Corps members on forestry/natural resource management related projects.
* Support ecological restoration of forestry project sites including native seed collection, native plant re-vegetation, and erosion control to protect water quality.
* Control noxious and other invasive weeds utilizing integrated weed management techniques including mapping, monitoring, mowing, clipping, and pulling. Also mixing, loading, and applying herbicides using motorized and/or hand-held equipment.
* Coordinate weed control and re-vegetation efforts with other City Divisions and workgroups.
* Perform native re-vegetation including seeding native plants using a seed drill or broadcast methods and planting, watering, and protecting native trees and shrubs.
* Assist with wildlife inventory and monitoring including aquatic and terrestrial species.
* Utilize GPS units and ArcGIS software to map and monitor populations of weeds, native vegetation and wildlife.
* Construct, repair, and maintain hiking trails including building rock structures and using hand and power tools.
* Assist ranger staff in grounds and facilities maintenance projects including snow removal, the use of hand and power tools, and the operation of heavy equipment.
* Assist ranger staff in managing recreational visitation and supporting emergency response operations at Button Rock Preserve to level of training.
* Assist ranger staff in managing water storage, monitoring reservoir surface elevation, and creek flows, and inspecting utility sites for safety hazards.
* Coordinate scheduling of work conducted by associated contractors.
* Performs essential duties and additional tasks in a manner which enhances City Attributes.

# **Working Environment:**

Work is performed outside most of the time, under varying and extreme weather conditions. Work includes exposure to noise, sun, insects, fumes, noise, dust, pollen, gases and oils, solvents and chemicals, including a variety of herbicides and pesticides. Work requires considerable physical effort including lifting and carrying up to 50 pounds, bending, stooping, kneeling, climbing, pulling, pushing, walking, and standing for extended periods of time. Coordination of eyes, hands, legs, and body is needed. Work requires ability to read and understand herbicide labels, material safety data sheets, and equipment manuals, and ability to perform written record-keeping. Must be able to work alone or in a group on multiple concurrent tasks with frequent customer contact. Must be able to work overtime, holidays, weekends, nights, and adjusted schedules as needed. The candidate for this position must be able to meet the physical requirements necessary to do the job.

# **Qualifications:**

A combination of education and experience equivalent to two years of college level coursework in natural resource management or related field or two or more years of work experience in natural resource management. At least four years of college level course work or other technical training in natural resource management or related field is preferred. ***Special Qualifications:*** Possession of a valid Colorado Driver's License. Ability to obtain and maintain S-212 Chainsaw Certification within six months of hire. Ability to obtain and maintain a [S-130/190 Basic Firefighting and Wildland Fire Behavior](https://www.coloradofirecamp.com/frequent-questions/schedule.html#s130190) Certification within six months of hire. Completion of or ability to complete community first aid, CPR/AED, ATV/UTV training, and required safety trainings.

We’re committed to building a team that reflects the diversity of the communities we serve. The City may consider an equivalent combination of knowledge, skills, education, and experience to meet minimum qualifications, and encourages all candidates to apply and help us achieve our goal of creating an inclusive and equitable workplace.

## **Selection**

The selection process will include complete job description review, personal interview, physical abilities testing, background investigation, criminal background check, and substance screening.

## **DEADLINE: Open Until Filled**

**An ONLINE APPLICATION is required. This job is Open Until Filled.** The online application process is available for this position on our website at [**www.longmontcolorado.gov/jobs**](http://www.longmontcolorado.gov/jobs). Resumes will be accepted in lieu of the full City Application; however, they must be submitted via the City application site for consideration. **Open Until Filled positions may close without advance notice. To be considered, please apply as soon as possible.** For more information, call (303) 651-8609.

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