

MARK WILLIAMS COMMISSIONER

RUSTY GARRISON DIRECTOR

EXTERNAL JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

Job Title/Position: Wildlife Biologist 2/00099775

Location: Social Circle, Georgia

Job Responsibilities: Working with a team of botanists and restoration ecologists, The Wildlife Biologist 2 will coordinate monitoring for rare plants and communities identified as a priority in Georgia's State Wildlife Action Plan. Specific responsibilities include monitoring protocol design and implementation within an adaptive management framework; coordination of ongoing habitat restoration monitoring, data analysis, and reporting for state and federally funded grants; communicating monitoring program results; and increasing collaboration for monitoring among internal and external partners. The Wildlife Biologist 2 will also assist the Botany team with surveys for priority rare plant species and natural communities; outreach and technical support to landowners, individuals, and conservation partners; review of projects that may impact rare plants and habitats; species status assessment; and land management planning for conservation of rare plants and habitats. They will participate in rare plant habitat restoration using prescribed fire and invasive species management. This position requires strong scientific communication and time management skills and proficiency with field identification of plants.

Minimum Qualifications: Master of Science Degree in Wildlife Management, Wildlife Biology, Wildlife Science or a related field from an accredited college or university.

Preferred Qualifications: Preference will be given to applicants with:

- 1. Demonstrated plant taxonomy skills and familiarity with the flora and habitats of the Southeastern U.S.
- 2. Experience with surveys and monitoring for rare plants and natural communities
- 3. Coursework or experience in principals of plant conservation ecology, including conservation genetics, pollination ecology, population ecology, and disturbance ecology
- 4. Demonstrated ability to manage large amounts of data, including Natural Heritage inventory, photo, and geo-referenced data, using GIS software and relational databases
- 5. Experience and training with rare plant and habitat conservation techniques including prescribed fire, herbicide application, and plant safeguarding
- 6. Demonstrated ability to work collaboratively with colleagues and partners to complete projects on time
- 7. Proficiency in plant community and population monitoring protocol design and familiarity with statistical analyses and software

Salary: \$43,063/year plus benefits

Note: Please direct questions about this position to Lisa Kruse at Lisa.Kruse@dnr.ga.gov or 706-557-3219

Application: Download an application for employment at https://gadnr.org/careers/ and submit the completed application to the e-mail address highlighted below. Alternatively, a completed paper copy can be mailed to the following address:

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Application Deadline: Extended to December 6, 2019