



NYC Parks

CITY OF NEW YORK PARKS & RECREATION

CITYWIDE JOB VACANCY NOTICE: Job ID No. 688604

Office Title: Forester

Civil Service Title: Forester **Title Code No:** 81361 **Level:** II

Salary: \$66,964

Number of Positions: TBD

Work Location: TBD

The mission of the Environment and Planning Division 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 with directly and supervise employees involved in professional forestry activities.
- Consult with engineers, developers, and contractors on a regular basis throughout projects.
- Schedule, conduct and/or supervise inspections and field surveys to assess tree health, structure, pests, diseases and construction impacts.
- Compile and manage forestry contracts, including tree maintenance, removal, planting, sidewalk repair, invasive species removal and natural area restoration.
- Review schedules, reports and correspondence prepared by consultants, contractors, and other agencies. Perform field inspections to assess contract compliance and work outcomes.
- Review permit applications to assess impacts to trees and landscapes, advise applicants and agencies on designs and methods, and / or issue permits.
- Manage forestry databases used to track, monitor, and produce reports on budgets, productivity, accomplishments and program status updates.
- 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.

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

***Preference will be given to applicants who file for and take the Forester Civil Service Examination (Exam No. 5075). The filing period began on November 6, 2024 and ends on November 26, 2024.**

1. Proficiency in Microsoft Office.
2. Excellent communication and interpersonal skills. Experience working with the public.
3. Ability to work independently.

How to Apply

All Applicants:

Go to cityjobs.nyc.gov and search for Job ID# 688604.

All applicants must apply via cityjobs.nyc.gov. The City is no longer using ESS to accept applications.

***Current City Employees please include your ERN and Job ID# 688604 on your cover letter and resume.**

POST DATE: 11/15/2024

POST UNTIL: FILLED*

NOTE: *Previous applicants to Job ID 643867 are still under consideration and need not reapply. References will be required upon request. If you have any questions regarding this vacancy or require a reasonable accommodation during the application process, please call the Human Resources Division at (212) 830-7851.

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TELECOMMUNICATIONS DEVICE FOR THE DEAF: (212) 504-4115

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