



# EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY



## Forest Ecologist

The Gwich'in Renewable Resources Board (GRRB) is a co-management board located in Inuvik, Northwest Territories, which is responsible for wildlife, fish, and forest management in the Gwich'in Settlement Area (GSA). We are a cross-cultural team that is committed to building strong relationships with respect, compassion, and integrity.

As a shared position between the GRRB and the GLUPB, the purpose is a focus on forest management and consideration of the ecological integrity of the region that applies to each board's mandate within the integrated resource management system under the GCLCA. The work of the GRRB is essential to inform the GLUPB land use planning process, so the foundational work under this position has significant overlap and is a prime opportunity for collaborative staffing.

### Main Responsibilities:

This pivotal role involves integrating ecological science with practical applications to promote forest health, biodiversity, and sustainable management practices. Specifically, this will be achieved by:

- The administration of forestry management programs and research projects for the Gwich'in Settlement Area (GSA);
- Liaising with and providing technical advice for co-management partners and the public;
- Improving awareness of forestry management, forest ecosystems and biodiversity in the GSA through increased communication, meetings, management plans; and
- Identifying needed research projects.

### Requirements (Applicants MUST demonstrate they meet the following):

- Bachelor's degree in Biology, Ecology, Forestry, Environmental Science, or a related field, with related experience in renewable resources
- Knowledge of the GRRB and GLUPB mandates and the role of co-management in the North
- Sound understanding of relevant legislation and policies including the Gwich'in Comprehensive Land Claim Agreement and the Forest Act and regulations
- Experience in forestry research methodology and management plan development
- Experience with remote sensing technologies and GIS applications in forest management
- Knowledge of forest policy and management practices, particularly in relation to biodiversity conservation
- Strong communication and organization skills
- Experience with financial planning including preparation of funding proposals and managing budgets
- Ability to work cooperatively and diplomatically with multi-stakeholder groups or resource users
- Ability to work independently and without close supervision in a co-operative environment both within the department and external to the GRRB.
- Northwest Territories Class 5 Driver's license or equivalent.
- Candidate must be eligible to work in Canada.
- Criminal Records Check will be required.

### Assets (Preference will be given to applicants that meet the following):

- Priority will be given to qualified Participants of the Gwich'in Comprehensive Land Claim Agreement and residents of the Northwest Territories.
- Experience working in the Canadian north and with northern Indigenous communities.
- Knowledge of the regulatory system in the NWT.

**Starting Salary:** \$90,630 per year

**Benefits:** Northern Allowance (\$ 14,706), relocation package, RRSP, health and benefits coverage

**Closing Date:** **open until filled**

If you are interested in this exciting opportunity, we encourage you to visit our website at [grrb.nt.ca](http://grrb.nt.ca). Please direct your inquiries or submit your cover letter and resume to:

### Gwich'in Renewable Resources Board

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