

Employment Opportunity

Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, Minnesota Interagency Fire Center (NR) Pilot, Grand Rapids, Minnesota

Job Description:

- Who May Apply: Open to all qualified job seekers
- Date Posted: 04/09/2018
- Closing Date: 04/30/2018
- Hiring Agency/Seniority Unit: Department of Natural Resources
- Division/Unit: Forestry
- Work Shift/Work Hours: Varies
- Days of Work: Varies
- Travel Required: Yes
- Salary Range: \$24.32 - \$35.91 /hourly; \$50780 - \$74980 /annually
- Classified Status: Classified
- Employment Condition: Full Time Unlimited
- Work Location: Minnesota Interagency Fire Center, Grand Rapids
- FLSA Status: Non-exempt
- Bargaining Unit/Union: 214/MAPE
- Connect 700 Program Eligible: Yes

The position exists to administer the Division's aircraft and pilot services program, light fixed wing contracts, and the statewide aerial detection program. In addition to statewide responsibilities, the NR Pilot provides technical expertise and support to MN Incident Command agencies, Federal and Great Lakes Forest Fire Compact Partners and other cooperating agencies regarding aviation program issues. The position requires unusual specialized experience.

Job Requirements:

- Provide pilot services and air support to the Division of Forestry and other divisions within the DNR as well as other Federal, State, County and local agencies requesting the use of the Department aircraft.
- Pilot services/air support: Perform wildlife/environmental surveys, pollution detection monitoring flights, search and rescue flights for lost/missing persons, provide emergency and routine air transportation for personnel and equipment, and conduct aerial photo flights in support of DNR projects. Provide flight training to Department pilots as necessary under Department orders, policies and procedures.
- Equipment checks/maintenance: check and evaluate weather reports, conduct inspections of aircraft and related equipment, manage and coordinate the maintenance required for Division

owned aircraft. Perform computer operations, customer relations, aviation training, record keeping, and report writing.

Experience/Qualifications:

Minimum Qualifications:

- Unlimited commercial pilot's license (Airplane MEL & SEL) including: instrument airplane rating; unrestricted first or second class FAA medical certificate and certified Airplane flight instructor with instrument endorsement (CFI-I).

Minimum flight time requirements:

- 1500 hours total flight time
- 1200 hours Pilot in Command (PIC) that includes 200 hours Category and class to be flown; 100 hours fixed wing, preceding 12 months; 500 hours cross country; 200 hours operations in low level typical terrain; 100 hours night; 50 hours instrument-in flight; 75 hours instrument-actual/simulated.
- Ability to operate an aircraft in extremely hazardous conditions such as poor visibility, smoke and high winds with other aircraft in close proximity or following closely.
- Knowledge of natural resource survey, and census flight operations in order to provide the DNR Management Program with the most effective methods and advise on what equipment is most applicable.
- Human relations skills necessary to direct and coordinate operations within the agency.
- Requires an unrestricted Minnesota Class D Driver's License and a clear driving record: a single unit vehicle with a gross vehicle weight of less than 26,000 pounds. This is a basic driver's license. Operators may also tow vehicles/trailers as long as the gross combination weight does not exceed 26,000 pounds.

Preferred Qualifications:

- FAA rotorcraft endorsement.
- FAA Certified Flight Instructor Certificate with rotorcraft endorsements Experience and / or interagency carded as a wildfire pilot in airtankers, lead plane, or helicopter.
- Completion of an approved maintenance training program.
- Current and / or previous A&P license.
- Experience in contract administration.

Physical Requirements:

- Requires occasionally lifting articles and/or carrying objects such as heavy tools and file boxes. This job may require walking or standing to a significant degree on rough terrain or may involve sitting most of the time with pushing and pulling of arm and/or leg controls.
- Requires operating in a high noise environment.

Additional Requirements:

- This position requires an unrestricted Class D Driver's License with a clear driving record.
- It is our policy that all candidates submit to a background check prior to employment. The background check may consist of the following components:
 - Employment Reference Check
 - Criminal History Check
 - Education/license verification

To Apply:

If interested apply online at <http://mn.gov/mmb/careers/> and search for job 14904 and click on "apply for this position" at the end of the posting. For questions about the positions contact Matt Woodwick at (218) 322.2726 or email matthew.woodwick@state.mn.us Equal Opportunity Employer.