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The Research Foundation of the State University of New York
At the College of Environmental Science and Forestry
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Title: Senior Research Support Specialist

Department: Forest and Natural Resources Management

Salary Range: Mid 30’s to low 40’s annually, excellent benefits

Duration: 1 year, probable extension

Brief Description of Duties: Active involvement with various components of the internationally recognized willow and woody biomass project. The project involves the use of shrub willow biomass for the production of bioenergy, biofuels and bioproducts. The candidate will also be involved in developing, deploying and monitoring an innovative large scale alternative vegetative landfill cover project in Solvay, NY. Coordinate field and laboratory studies. Assist with layout and installation of field, greenhouse, and laboratory projects/studies; set up and maintain research data files; supervise teams of part-time employees (undergraduate and graduate students, etc.) during planting, maintenance, harvesting, and data collection of field and greenhouse research plots. Summarize data and prepare quarterly and final project reports. Assist in preparing presentations for regional, national and international conferences and preparing papers for publication. Coordinate schedules and work assignments for students working on the project. Operate and maintain field equipment (brush saws, small chipper, calipers, height poles etc), tractors, tractor equipment and trailers. Will be expected to
work collaboratively with other field technicians and graduate students and interact in a professional, collaborative, and team-oriented manner with senior project personnel and faculty in other departments to advance the goals of the project.

Qualifications: MS degree in Forestry, Forest Biology, Forest Ecology, Natural Resources or similar field required or a BS in these fields with at least two years of field work and team supervision experience. Excellent time and data management, interpersonal, and team leadership skills required. Applicant must have a valid driver’s license and be available for overnight travel to research sites.

Preferred Qualifications: Research experience with short-rotation woody crops, phytoremediation and/or agroforestry preferred. Experience with farm machinery, forestry field work and supervision of field crews is highly desirable.

Application Deadline: Although the college will accept applications until the position is filled, interested candidates should submit their materials by December 23, 2012 to ensure optimal consideration. Start date as soon as possible.

Application Procedure: Employment application is required to be submitted on-line at http://www.esf.edu/hr

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