**Seasonal Fire-fighters**

Forestry Corporation of NSW is the largest manager of commercial native and plantation forests in NSW. Managing more than two million hectares of forests for the economic, environmental and social benefit of the people of NSW and Australia, Forestry Corporation of NSW adheres to the values of integrity, collaboration, respect, innovation, customer and stakeholder focus, safety and sustainability

Forestry Corporation is currently looking for seasonal firefighters of varying backgrounds and skill sets for the upcoming fire season. Here at Forestry Corporation we value diversity and would strongly encourage members of Aboriginal communities and women to consider applying for this position. Successful applicants will work within teams on a variety of forest management activities, including wildfire suppression, weed control, signage and potentially hazard reduction burning. Employment is on a seasonal basis and workloads will vary depending on bushfire conditions. You will be required to work extended hours/shift/days under physically testing conditions.

Please note your primary reason for employment is fire suppression and you will be required to form part of the Corporation’s fire readiness including being on our Fire Roster. At times you will be required to be on-call at home depending on the local fire danger. This is a condition of your employment and will be reflected in any contract offered by FCNSW.

Bathurst Management Area is currently seeking applicants for employment from October 2018 to March 2019, based at one of 3 field locations; Black Springs, Canobolas or Sunny Corner.

In addition to emergency firefighting, Seasonal Staff may undertake a variety of field based and manual works including:

* Fire readiness including on-call, standby and patrol
* Spraying woody weeds such as wattle using a chemical backpack spray unit or vehicle mounted spray equipment
* Cleaning out blocked road culverts using a shovel
* Roadside clearing using brush-hooks, pole saws and chainsaws
* Cutting out pine regeneration growing within compartments using pruning shears or brush cutters
* Clearing fire trails of fallen trees using chainsaws
* Fencing maintenance and construction
* Sign construction and maintenance
* General maintenance around forest headquarters and picnic areas
* Hazard reduction burning and establishment burning in autumn/winter
* General field work in pine plantations and native forests
* Occasional heavy plant operation (if qualified)

**The successful candidate will possess:**

* Current drivers licence – minimum Class C.
* Physical fitness (must be able to pass medical examination and various functional/fitness tests)
* Ability to work within a team
* A high regard for safety

Desirable skills/qualifications include:

* National bush-firefighting competencies and experience
* Heavy plant operation experience, truck licence (HR or MR)
* Fire Tanker competencies and experience
* Chainsaw and first aid qualifications
* Crew supervision & leadership skills and experience
* Ability to report and record data with an electronic device
* Ability to respond to emergency calls and present for duty within 30 minutes

 Bush fire-fighting experience **is not**mandatory.

[More Information about Seasonal Firefighter employment and training with Forestry Corporation can be found by clicking this link](http://www.forestrycorporation.com.au/careers/seasonal-firefighters3)

Forestry Corporation of NSW will be at the Bathurst Jobs Expo on Tuesday 21st August at Bathurst Memorial Entertainment Centre.

**Location: Sunny Corner, Black Springs,** and **Canobolas**, NSW.

**Work** **Type:** Full time Temporary positions available.

**Contact**: Dave Anderson on 02 6330 1025

**How to apply:** All applicants must apply online at <http://iworkfor.nsw.gov.au/>. Please submit your resume and answer all selection questions on I Work for NSW.

**Closing date:** Applications must be received online by 26th August 2018

Successful applicants will be required to satisfactorily complete medical examinations, Drug and Alcohol screening, a Fitness Test (called the Task Based Assessment) and accreditation courses for fire-fighting to commence and retain employment.