

## CO-OP OR YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM OPPORTUNITIES

The Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations in Williams Lake has two **Silvicultural Systems Research Coop / Summer Student** positions available from May 2 to September 2, 2016 (18 weeks).

**Salary:** Bi-weekly (70 hours) Coop \$1401.61 (\$20.02/hr); Youth Employment Program (YEP) level 2 \$1195.15 (\$17.07/hr)

**Application:** Please email / mail your resume, transcript of marks and covering letter to Michaela Waterhouse ([Michaela.Waterhouse@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Michaela.Waterhouse@gov.bc.ca)), Silvicultural Systems Researcher, Suite 200-640 Borland Street, Williams Lake, BC V2G 4T1 before the deadline. Phone: 398-4409.

**Application Deadline: March 2, 2016**

**Interviews:** March 8 -10, 2016

**Qualifications:** The applicant must have completed first year of their program (Natural Resource Management, Forestry or Environmental Science). A basic knowledge of silvicultural systems, silviculture practices and mensuration is required. The student must be physically fit and prepared to spend a large portion of time in the field collecting data. A valid BC Driver's Licence (class 5 or class 6 - N) is required.

The candidate must be interested in research, forestry & wildlife ecology, and have the patience to produce quality. Experience with tree species identification and measurements, design and layout of permanent sample plots, data entry and data management is preferred. Knowledge of GPS, tablets (for field data collection), compasses, 4X4 trucks, maps and first aid is an asset.

**Duties:** Students will collect field data on silvicultural systems research projects located near Williams Lake, Riske Creek, Puntzi Lake and Likely. Tasks include setting up and measuring growth and yield plots, tallies of tree density by species, tree fall assessments, and seed fall collection. Other duties include site maintenance, plot layout, data entry, basic statistical analysis and report writing. Most of the field work is within driving distance of Williams Lake, but some of the time will be spent working out of field camps.

### **Additional Information:**

- Williams Lake is a friendly city with all the amenities of larger centers.
- The surrounding area supports a wide variety of outdoor recreation opportunities including hiking, camping, kayaking, rock climbing and mountain biking
- Proof of registration in the current co-op semester is required if you are in a co-op program; YEP program requires registration as a fulltime student in past 6 months.
- These positions are pending funding confirmation.