

PARK MANAGEMENT SPECIALIST I

Fairfax VA

Fairfax County Park Authority, Natural Resource Management & Protection

Job # 12-2818

\$62,867 - \$83,823

The FCPA's Resource Management Division, which is dedicated to interpreting and preserving Fairfax County's natural and cultural resources for the enjoyment, health and inspiration of current and future generations, is seeking an experienced professional to lead its Natural Resource Management and Protection Branch. Serves as the FCPA's senior natural resource stewardship staff member and provides policy recommendations, develops programs, secures funding and provides technical expertise to achieve the agency's natural resource stewardship mission. Manages multiple programs and works independently to manage a challenging workload. Supervises a team of three full-time staff, part-time staff and contractors. Partnering and collaborating within and outside the Park Authority to build support for policies, projects and funding is an essential component of the position.

Minimum Qualifications: Any combination of education/experience equivalent to graduation from an accredited four-year college or university with a degree in recreation and park management or other pertinent related field; plus four years of experience in work related to parks or recreation, including responsible administrative/managerial experience, preferably in the applicable functional area (i.e., natural resource management and protection).

Special Requirements: Must be able to travel on foot in rough terrain, including steep slopes, with fallen trees and other obstacles, and standing and moving water. The appointee to this position will be required to complete a criminal background check to the satisfaction of the employer. Valid driver's license.

Preferred Qualifications: Master's degree in ecology, biological sciences, natural resources or related field. Minimum five years of relevant experience, including at least three years of supervisory experience. A history of success in securing funding for natural resource programs and managing budgets. Experience: developing policy and best practices; managing contracts and projects; with public processes to include communication with stakeholder groups, elected officials, citizens, etc.; using Microsoft software and using GIS. Expertise in natural resource management. Ability to present complex information effectively to lay audiences.

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