

Parks Natural Resources Technician – Denver Parks & Recreation

Denver

About Our Job

Denver Parks and Recreation is seeking a Natural Resources Technician to perform a variety of duties related to land protection and stewardship of Denver's urban natural areas and open space properties as well as mountain parks. This includes noxious weed management, restoration projects, and wildlife management. This position is an opportunity to indulge your natural resources and wildlife passion while learning best practices within one of the nation's most diverse park and open space systems.

This is an on-call position which will work no more than 39 hours per week and is not eligible for benefits.

This position will officially be based out of the Wellington Webb Building in downtown Denver but will frequently work out of 3375 Park Ave West. During the season for field work (weather permitting), this position will work Monday – Friday, 6:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m. four days per week. This position will work weekends occasionally as needed to support volunteer projects.

Skills to be utilized and developed include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Vegetation and noxious weed management:
 - Remove noxious and invasive weeds by utilizing a variety of management methods including chemical, mechanical, cultural, and biological
 - Assist with restoration projects such as native tree/forb plantings, seeding, seed collection, mulching, and other wildlife and pollinator habitat improvements
 - Operate, maintain, and perform minor repairs on equipment used in vegetation management including backpack sprayers and chainsaws
 - Mix, load, and apply herbicides in a safe and efficient manner
- Wildlife management: perform assessments, reporting, inventory, monitoring and population control tactics
- Natural resource management: implement prescribed adaptive management and ecological restoration plans, site monitoring and mapping of populations using GPS units, data entry and reporting
- Work cooperatively and collaboratively with park district and mountain park staff and other stakeholders; work alongside and learn best practices from more seasoned natural resource and horticulturist professionals
- Assist with special projects such as leading and organizing volunteers and youth corps to accomplish goals, assist in natural resource and wildlife management education activities and programming

About You

We are looking for a passionate and reliable natural resources professional who is eager to learn. Additionally, our ideal candidate will have:

- Experience with natural resources and wildlife management field work

We realize your time is valuable so please do not apply if you do not have at least the following required minimum qualifications:

- Education: Bachelor's Degree in Range or Wildlife Management, Forestry, Environmental Science, Biology, Restoration Ecology, Park and Recreation Management, or a related field of study

- Experience: One (1) year of urban and rural habitat management experience, which includes vegetation identification and control, restoration of parks and open lands, conducting rangeland assessments, and wildlife and/or forestry and vegetation management
- Licensures/Certification(s): Requires a Colorado Department of Agriculture Pesticide Applicator License by completion of the probationary period. Requires a Chainsaw Certification by completion of the probationary period
- Equivalency: Additional appropriate experience may be substituted for the minimum education requirement

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Job Profile

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Position Type

On-call

Position Salary Range

\$22.13 - \$32.31

Starting Pay

\$22.13

Agency

Parks and Recreation

EEOC Statement

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About Us

The secret is out: Denver is the nation's top place to live, work, and play. Being the best place to live isn't easy; maintaining such a reputation means we need the best people working for the residents of Denver. People who want to make a difference; people who want to give back; people who want to be at the heart of this city and have a hand in creating our future. When you join us, you will employ your unique skills to do important and meaningful work critical to the success of both your organization and the city as a whole. Be a part of the city that you love. **#WhereDenverWorks** For more information about our hiring process including ADA resources, assessments and testing, pre-employment, and onboarding, click [here](#).