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## Boreal Landscape Specialist

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Are you a leader with strong project management skills, a desire to foster a positive health and safety culture, and an interest in increasing your technical knowledge related to the forestry industry? The Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment has an exciting opportunity in the Forest Service Branch located in Prince Albert. As the Boreal Landscape Specialist you will support the sustainable growth of Saskatchewan's forest sector by developing and implementing landscape level policy that manages the footprint of anthropogenic forest disturbance. Reporting to the Manager of Planning, Policy and Protection, this position will be the subject matter expert regarding landscape level forest ecological process and be responsible for leading development of policy that guides the forest industry's harvesting operations, develop indicators of sustainability that will help assess the state of forest health, and act as the Forest Service liaison in the development of landscape level plans such as the Caribou Range Plans and habitat management plans. This position will also lead Saskatchewan's involvement with the Canadian Council of Forest Ministers through inter-governmental working groups.

In this position, you will prepare analyses of the current state of scientific research as it relates to landscape level ecological processes in Saskatchewan, develop policy documents that will be the foundation for new operational standards for the forest industry, and create briefing material for senior management and the Minister. You will develop engaging approaches and presentation materials to communicate to other branches of the ministry, higher levels of government, forest industry and other industrial sectors that use the forest, and to the public in order to create awareness of the implications of various development scenarios on future forest landscape health.

A strong understanding of sustainable forest management components including landscape ecological processes and their spatial patterns, forest age and its implications in the health of the boreal forest, and operational planning of harvesting activities is required. Knowledge of how landscape level ecological processes manifest themselves and how they influence both the availability of habitat and productive commercial forest will be critical to the success of this position. An awareness of, and sensitivity to, trends and issues in the boreal forest that affect the economic, social and ecological sustainability of Saskatchewan's Crown forest is essential. Knowledge of climate change and its influence on the boreal forest will be considered a strong asset. Typically, the qualifications for this position include a Master's degree in Forestry, ecology or related biological science, with demonstrated experience in policy development, forest landscape ecology and

verbal and written communication. Experience with forest management, operational planning and eligibility for one of the membership categories in the Association of Saskatchewan Forestry Professionals would also be very highly considered.

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