

ANNOUNCEMENT OF VACANCY

Position: *Wood Products Manufacturing Associate*

Department of Wood and Paper Science
College of Natural Resources, North Carolina State University

This position is one of five specialist positions funded by a USDA Forest Service grant to the College of Natural Resources at NC State University, "Enhancing the Management and Utilization of North Carolina's Rural Natural Resources to Promote Economic and Community Development: *Creating Jobs for North Carolinians Through Better Natural Resources Utilization.*"

Description of Duties: The *Wood Products Manufacturing Associate* will primarily serve smaller firms involved in processing wood by helping them find and develop new markets, vertically integrate their manufacturing process or partner with other firms to serve the new markets, and improving their financial stability through better business decisions and manufacturing practices. The position will be in conjunction with the outreach program of the Wood Products Program at NC State University. Activities under this effort may include educational and training programs and site visits to advance and implement new technology, improve efficiency and productivity, emphasize value-added manufacturing, and increase the level of management sophistication. The person employed for this work will have a strong background in wood products manufacturing, marketing, management and financial decision-making, education in wood science or wood products, and preferably an advanced degree in either business management or related field.

Location: The position will serve western North Carolina, primarily Statesville west to Asheville. The candidate will ideally live in this area in order to have easy access to industry in this area.

Education and Experience: Ideally the successful candidate should have a BS degree in wood products or closely related field, preferably with a Masters degree in business, wood products, manufacturing or closely related field. They should have a strong background in wood products manufacturing, marketing, management and financial decision-making. Work experience should include working in the wood industry in various management, technical or business advisory roles and supervisory positions, be able to start and successfully complete independent projects. The ideal candidate should have a strong desire to see client firms and individual succeed.

Duration and Salary: The position is for a term of one year, and can be extended for a total of three years based upon job performance and continued funding. Competitive salary and benefits package will be awarded based on capabilities and experience level of the successful candidate.

Application: Send letter of application, resume, and the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of three references to:

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