



Manager of Forest Carbon Project Development

Eastwood Forests, LLC is a forest investment manager that is focused on sustainable management of forests to provide forest products and climate solutions, while offering competitive financial returns to our investors. Eastwood is a partnership between Sumitomo Forestry of Japan, and a US team with decades of experience and expertise in the management of forests and forest investments.

Eastwood Forests' first Climate Smart Forestry Fund is focused on North America, with ongoing domestic and international acquisition opportunities. In addition to maintaining a presence in the Americas, subsequent opportunities may expand to Southeast Asia and Oceania to leverage Sumitomo's current operations and capacities there.

Position Title: Manager of Forest Carbon Project Development

Location: Chapel Hill, NC (preferred)

Travel: Some domestic and possible international travel is expected.

The Position: Eastwood Forests is offering an exciting opportunity to join our Carbon Team. As the Manager of Forest Carbon Project Development, you will lead project development for our portfolio of forestlands and continue to support projects through ensuing verifications and monitoring. As part of the Carbon team, you will support the assessment and valuation of potential property acquisitions, both domestically and globally, as well as collaborate in the optimization of operational harvest budgets and inventory management in conjunction with the carbon projects. As part of a small team in a growing company with substantial financial backing, there is ample opportunity for meaningful contribution and strong potential for professional growth.

Responsibilities and Scope:

Primary

- Lead new forest carbon project development.
 - Compliance and voluntary protocols in North America.
- Carbon project modeling for project development and for property acquisition valuations. Develop baseline and project management scenarios - quantification of carbon stock, growth, harvest removals, and harvested wood products.
- Provide technical support during validation and regular verifications, including correspondence with verification bodies.

Secondary

- Manage the Fund's carbon inventory database, including growth modeling, harvest removals, and annual project reporting.
- Internal reporting and forecasting relative to carbon project performance.
- With forest analytics team, develop operations / financial optimization model and support forest managers in harvest budget planning.



Required Qualifications:

Education

- Undergraduate or graduate degree in forestry or closely related natural resources field.

Project Development

- Experience with IFM carbon project development under both compliance and voluntary protocols, from evaluation through validation, verification, and monitoring.

Analytical

- Experience and proficiency with carbon modeling using FVS, Woodstock and/or other peer-reviewed forest growth simulation and optimization tools that apply to North American forest types.
- Proficiency in forest biometrics and statistical analysis.
- Proficient spreadsheet and database management.
- Experience with GIS, spatial and raster data manipulation.
- Experience in analyzing, managing, and troubleshooting forest inventory data.

Other

- Self-motivated and able to work alone or in a team environment.
- Excellent written and verbal communication.

Desired Skills:

- Experience with other nature-based climate protocols in North America and internationally.
- Database management experience.
- Understanding of forest management planning, including timber harvesting.
- Ability to provide solutions under new and changing conditions.

To apply, please send a single document, with your name in the file name, that includes your cover letter and your resume to Dave Fehringer jobs@eastwoodforests.com.

References will be requested from finalists. Applications will be accepted through July 12, 2024, or until the position is filled. All applications will be treated with strict confidentiality.

Eastwood Forests is an equal opportunity employer and offers a competitive salary and benefit package commensurate with applicant skills and experience.