



About This Role: The Kansas Forest Service is seeking a highly skilled and motivated individual to serve in a full time capacity in our Fire shop as a Vehicle/Equipment Mechanic. The individual selected will have extensive experience providing service and repair to vehicles, with an emphasis on heavy trucks and diesel equipment. Specific experience with military vehicles will be a distinct advantage. This job will work 40 hours per week, with a flexible schedule within Monday - Friday, 7am - 5pm work schedule. The job will include lifting heavy parts, climbing on and off of large equipment, working in temperature extremes outdoors and in a non-air-conditioned shop. It will also require the ability to communicate effectively in writing, via phone, and email, and to maintain records and parts inventories. A commercial Class A driver's license is required. The position works under the supervision of the Excess Property Manager.

Why Join Us: For 50 years the Kansas Forest Service, Fire Management Program has provided vehicles and equipment to fire departments to enhance their fire suppression capacity. Current programs are the Excess Personal Property Program (FEPP), Fire Fighter Property (FFP) and the Equipment Donation Program (EDP). While some restrictions apply, FFP allows the departments to eventually own the equipment and to utilize it for prescribed and controlled burning as well as other civil emergencies. Education opportunities are available at no cost for fire prevention education, suppression and prescribe burning. Some classes for land managers and fire fighters are specifically for use within the state, others qualify one to participate in incidents at the Federal level through the Incident Qualification System (Red Card).

Financial assistance for the Kansas Forest Service fire program is principally provided by the State Fire Assistance and Volunteer Fire Assistance Programs of the USDA Forest Service's State and Private Forestry Division. State fire assistance funds, or SFA, provides funding for KFS fire staff to deliver services to rural fire districts and the citizens of Kansas with services such as training, wildfire preparedness and planning, suppression and response, as well as prescribed fire management. Volunteer fire assistance funds are pass-through funds to cooperating fire districts for ancillary products such as communications equipment, protective gear, hand tools, water pumps, and related items. Coupled to the above is long range planning assistance for Districts desiring a Community Wildfire Protection Plan, Fire Master Plan, or a Hazardous Fuel Assessment.

Incident support and resource management is made possible through funding from the Kansas Legislature. This allows KFS employees to be positioned through Kansas to respond when requested within 2 hours

and enables KFS to pre-position wildland fire taskforces and assist local fire authorities with fire aviation.

Kansas State University offers a comprehensive benefits package that includes health insurance, life insurance, retirement plans, paid time off – vacation, sick, and holidays. To see what benefits are available, please visit: <https://www.k-state.edu/hcs/benefits>

We Support Diversity and Inclusion:

Kansas State University embraces diversity and inclusion. The university actively seeks individuals who foster a collegial environment and cooperative interactions with coworkers, students, and others. The University is dedicated to promoting the [Principles of Community](#).

What You'll Need to Succeed:

Minimum Qualifications:

- Six months of relevant experience with diesel and heavy truck repair. Education may be substituted for experience as determined relevant by the hiring manager.

Preferred Qualifications:

- Experience specifically with military vehicles, including CUCV, M-939 series, HEMTT, and FMTV vehicles.
- Experience with repair of large trucks, including diesel, all wheel drive trains, and other basic vehicle repairs.

Other Requirements:

- Valid CDL class A within first six months of employment.
- Applicants must be currently authorized to work in the United States at the time of employment.

How to Apply:

Please submit the following documents:

1. Cover letter
2. Resume
3. Name, email address, and phone numbers of three (3) professional references

Screening of Applications Begins:

Screening begins immediately and continues until position is filled. For best consideration, apply by September 23, 2022.

Anticipated Hiring Pay Range:

\$36,070 - \$46,000

Equal Employment Opportunity:

Kansas State University is an Equal Opportunity Employer. All applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, age, national origin, disability or status as a protected veteran.

Background Screening Statement:

In connection with your application for employment, Kansas State University will procure a Background Screen on you as part of the process of considering your candidacy as an employee.