



The Forest Growth Organization of Western Canada (FGrOW) was established in 2015 and plays a lead role in growth and yield research and related policy development in Western Canada. FGrOW manages cooperative research projects related to management of conifer and mixedwood forests, model development and tree improvement. It facilitates communication between members within the forest industry, and with forest researchers and government policy makers. For more information about FGrOW, check out fgrow.friresearch.ca.

FGrOW Director

FGrOW currently has an opening for the position of Director. In this role you will be responsible for providing oversight to FGrOW's research programs, working with members to set strategic direction, and maintaining and building relationships with FGrOW members, partners and other organizations.

The position could be structured as an employee of fRI Research or as an independent consultant and could be framed as a part- or full-time. The location is flexible, but Edmonton or Hinton would be preferred.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Provide guidance and direction on existing projects and direction for new research
- Manage a range of field data collection and analytical projects
- Plan and coordinate FGrOW's annual technical session, field tour, business meeting and annual general meeting
- Support and coordinate work being conducted by FGrOW and its project teams
- Work with researchers and members to develop new projects in response to member needs
- Act as project team coordinator for the Foothills Pine Project Team, Mixedwood Project Team, and the Policy and Practice Project Team
- Developing and reporting on budgets and workplans
- Developing and issuing requests for proposals and associated contract management
- Represent FGrOW at events as required
- Act as the point of contact for FGrOW in working with fRI Research
- Provide financial oversight and tracking for the organization
- Conduct analysis and data management as needed by project teams

Desired Qualifications and Qualities:

- Ability to work independently with minimal direction
- Strong leadership and team building skills
- Ability to work as part of a team with forest practitioners with a range of backgrounds
- Knowledge of forest management practices and policies in Alberta and Western Canada
- Understanding of growth and yield concepts, including sampling, analysis and modelling

- Considerable project and contract management experience
- Experience managing projects with the Forest Resource Improvement Association of Alberta
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills, including group facilitation experience
- Experience supervising mensuration programs and overseeing field contractors
- Analytical capabilities, including database management and statistical analysis
- B.Sc. in Forestry or closely related area. A post-graduate degree (MF, MSC) is desirable.

This job posting closes August 31, 2020.

Please send resumes to:

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