

TITLE: TIMBER CUTTER

CODE: 37006

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

This is very responsible logging work involving felling of trees and the planning of tree felling and removal sequences.

Work involves responsibility for safe and effective tree felling with a chainsaw. Duties include planning tree felling directions and sequences, felling and limbing trees, and assisting in skidding planning. This position also has the responsibility for making difficult logging decisions. This work requires that the employee have good knowledge, skill and ability in tree felling.

SUPERVISION RECEIVED:

Works under the general supervision of the Logging Crew Leader, with considerable latitude in the woods.

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES:

Plans and lays out felling patterns, skid trails and landing areas in the woods. Assesses standing and felled trees for defects and marketability.

Fells, limbs and tops trees with a chain saw.

Confers with supervisors and other loggers on timber to be felled, skid trails, log landing areas, log grading, and bucking.

Performs work in a safe manner and observes all safety procedures.

Uses all tools, equipment and materials responsibly and performs basic inspection and preventive maintenance prior to use.

Fills out job or shift report forms, as assigned.

Instructs and demonstrates timber felling, harvesting and safety.

Performs work of lower classifications, as necessary.

Performs related work as required.

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KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:

Good knowledge of the tools, equipment, and methods of timber harvesting, logging, and log grading.

Good knowledge of the work standards and safety procedures in tree felling and chainsaw operation.

Good skill in the operation of a large chainsaw.

Considerable ability to perform tree felling safely, effectively and efficiently.

Considerable ability to follow oral and written instructions and to learn District procedures.
Good ability to communicate orally.

Good ability to fill out forms and charts.

Considerable ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with coworkers and vendors.

QUALIFICATIONS:

A high school diploma or the equivalent plus four years of experience in logging and logging equipment operation, or an equivalent combination of education and qualifying experience substituting on a year-for-year-basis.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

None.