



HEALTHY FORESTS • ABUNDANT WILDLIFE • CONSERVATION ETHIC

FOREST TECHNICIAN

Ruffed Grouse Society & American Woodcock Society (RGS & AWS)

Location: Vermont Hybrid (In the field, remote and Manchester District Ranger Office)

Position Type: Seasonal

Salary Range: \$18-\$21/Hour

ABOUT RGS & AWS

The Ruffed Grouse Society & American Woodcock Society (RGS & AWS) unites conservationists to improve forest wildlife habitat and promote sustainable forest management across North America. By working collaboratively with private landowners, public land managers, and key partners, RGS & AWS delivers science-based conservation that creates healthy, diverse forests benefiting wildlife and communities. With more than 500,000 acres of habitat improved in recent years, the organization continues to scale its impact while advancing a legacy of conservation and outdoor traditions for future generations.

SHAPE THE FUTURE OF CONSERVATION DELIVERY

At RGS & AWS, conservation happens through active management, strong partnerships, and dedicated field staff working directly on the landscape.

We are seeking a motivated and detail-oriented Forest Technician to support forest management and wildlife habitat projects on the Green Mountain National Forest. This role focuses on hands-on fieldwork, data collection, and project implementation to advance science-based forest stewardship.

This is an opportunity to gain direct experience in applied forestry and wildlife habitat management while contributing to meaningful conservation outcomes.

THE OPPORTUNITY

In this role, you will support the planning and implementation of forest management projects in partnership with the U.S. Forest Service and other collaborators. You will work closely with RGS & AWS staff and partners to deliver on-the-ground conservation. You will:

- Assist with stand reconnaissance, timber cruising, and vegetation surveys.
 - Support project layout, including flagging and boundary marking.
 - Conduct GIS mapping and data collection using field-based tools.
 - Inspect ongoing forestry and habitat management treatments.
 - Assist with volunteer events, outreach, and habitat workdays.
 - Maintain project data and contribute to reporting efforts.
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WHAT SUCCESS LOOKS LIKE

Success in this role is defined by reliable fieldwork, accurate data, and strong support of project delivery. Within your first season, you will:

- Contribute to successful completion of habitat and forestry projects.
 - Produce accurate and timely field data and mapping outputs.
 - Support efficient project layout and implementation.
 - Build effective working relationships with staff and partners.
 - Demonstrate reliability, safety, and professionalism in field conditions.
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WHO YOU ARE

You bring:

- Background in forestry, wildlife, or natural resource management.
 - Knowledge of forest ecology, silviculture, or regional forest systems.
 - Ability to work independently in rugged terrain and variable weather.
 - Strong organizational and communication skills.
 - Experience with GPS, GIS, or mapping tools.
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You may also bring:

Experience with U.S. Forest Service or public land management.

Familiarity with northeastern forest types and practices.

Experience with timber cruising or forest inventory methods.

Interest in wildlife habitat and conservation.

COMPENSATION & BENEFITS

RGS & AWS offers a competitive compensation package commensurate with experience, including paid time off and professional development support.

JOIN US

If you are ready to lead, innovate, and make a measurable impact, we invite you to apply and help shape the future of conservation storytelling at RGS & AWS. Please email your cover letter and resume, combined in a single pdf, **by May 15, 2026**, to ChandlerB@RuffedGrouseSociety.org using "GMNF Forest Technician" as the subject line. Submission of 3 references as part of the application is required.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

RGS & AWS is an equal opportunity employer committed to building an inclusive and diverse workplace.

