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# TFS Law Enforcement Investigator I

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Palestine, TX

Full time

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**Job Title**

TFS Law Enforcement Investigator I

**Agency**

Texas A&M Forest Service

**Department**

Law Enforcement Department

**Proposed Minimum Salary**

\$21.45 hourly

**Job Location**

Palestine, Texas

**Job Type**

Staff

**Job Description**

The TFS Law Enforcement Investigator I will serve as a TCOLE licensed peace officer and is responsible for investigating timber theft/fraud and wildland arson cases across the state. This position will conduct wildland fire origin and cause determinations on a routine basis. They will also provide education to landowners, industry and law enforcement agencies in matters pertaining to timber theft/fraud and scene protection/preservation. This position reports direct to the designated Assistant Chief Law Enforcement Officer.

**\*\*\*This position will be located in either Palestine or Jacksonville\*\*\***

**Responsibilities:**

- Investigation of felony and misdemeanor grade timber theft/fraud and wildland fire/arson cases. Provide subject matter expertise on law enforcement cooperators in cases pertaining to the Texas Natural Resources Code and wildland fire origin and cause determination. Routine communication with local district attorney's office(s). Provide courtroom testimony as mandated.
- Provide training and crime prevention program delivery to landowners, forest industry and local law enforcement agencies. On occasion, assist with internal agency security, state property offenses and agency Liability Risk Pool Accident Investigations.
- Educate agency employees and local responders on scene preservation, basic fire cause and origin determination and participate in all-hazard emergency response and wildland fire suppression as directed.
- Manage and account for agency credit card(s) in accordance with applicable administrative procedures, rules and guidelines.
- This is a security-sensitive position. The individual in this position is required to handle Protected Health Information (PHI) as defined by HIPAA regulations. The individual is required to handle PHI in accordance with A&M System's policy and is further required to complete HIPAA training as a condition of employment, within a reasonable timeframe after the individual's employment and on an as-needed basis thereafter.
- Other duties as assigned

Benefits: Texas A&M University System strives to support the health and wellness needs of our diverse workforce. Texas A&M Forest Service offers a competitive benefits package including medical, dental, vision, life and long-term disability insurance, retirement benefits, paid time off and health and lifestyle programs as well as educational incentives and tuition reimbursement opportunities. Some additional benefits include the ability to accrue compensatory time off, overtime on emergency response and a physical fitness incentive of \$500 for passing the arduous test (walk three miles wearing a 45-pound pack in 45 minutes or less) each year.

**Education and Experience:**

Required Education: High school diploma or GED

Preferred Education: College hours and/or college credits

Required Experience: None - entry level position

Preferred Experience: At least two (2) years experience in felony and misdemeanor investigations and prosecutions

**Knowledge, Skills and Abilities:**

Required Knowledge: Working knowledge of Texas criminal justice system.

Preferred Knowledge: Criminal case experience. Courtroom testimony experience. Classroom instruction experience. Drafting of warrants. Working knowledge of Texas Natural Resources Code, Penal Code and Code of Criminal Procedures

Required Skills: Investigative and interrogatory skills.

Preferred Skills: Public speaking

Required Ability: Pass the moderate work capacity test (WCT) consisting of a 2 mile walk carrying 25lbs in 30 minutes or less. Multi-task and work cooperatively with others.

**Registrations, Certifications, and Licenses:**

Required: TCOLE Peace Officer License

Preferred: TCOLE Basic Peace Officer Proficiency Certificate. TCOLE Basic Instructor. NWCG FI-110. NWCG FFT1/ICT5

**Applicant Instructions:**

**Resume is REQUIRED to be uploaded to application. References are required to be entered in the secondary questionnaire section of the application.** Certifications are preferred to be uploaded to the application.

Documents/certifications can be uploaded in the "My Experience" page in the "Resume/CV" section. More than one document can be uploaded; just click the "Upload" button for each document. Documents can only be loaded at this time and cannot be uploaded once the application is submitted. **If there are any issues uploading documents, please contact 979-458-6690.** Please check your spam folder in case more information is sent in regards to this position.

All positions are security-sensitive. Applicants are subject to a criminal history investigation, and employment is contingent upon the institution's verification of credentials and/or other information required by the institution's procedures, including the completion of the criminal history check.

Equal Opportunity/Veterans/Disability Employer.



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Fulfilling the service component of a land-grant university system, Texas A&M Forest Service is a proud member of The Texas A&M University System. Celebrating 100 years of service, this state agency was created in 1915 by the 34th Texas Legislature. Each state in the nation has a state forestry agency, but Texas was the first to establish its state forestry agency as part of a land-grant college.

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