

MARK GRIFFIN

Procurement Forester
Toney Lumber Company

SCHOOL

Forest Management Haywood Community College Registered Forester

FAVORITE PART OF THE JOB

"I like being outside. I always say a bad day in the woods is better than a good day in the office. I also enjoy walking in the woods and seeing gods creation."

WHY FORESTRY?

"My father was a forester and I grew up in the woods."

ADVICE

"If you don't like office work, then look into forestry, logging, or sawmilling. This career allows you do to something new everyday."



PROCUREMENT FORESTER

PROCUREMENT FORESTERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR PURCHASING TIMBER AND EVALUATING LAND FOR ITS CURRENT AND FUTURE VALUE.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Source tracts of timber, cruise woodlands, and negotiate sale price
- Arrange and oversee the management of harvesting and transportation contracts
- Help landowners achieve their forestland goals
- Manage the log inventory of the mill and procure logs from area wood dealers and other suppliers
- Implement best management practices during logging operations

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE

- Bachelors or Associates degree in forestry management
- Experience can be beneficial but not necessary for entry level position

AVERAGE SALARY

 National average \$55,536 (reported by ZipRecruiter) Variation in data, dependent on experience/organization

SKILLS NEEDED

- · Highly motivated and team oriented
- Enjoys working outdoors
- Approachable, relatable, and able to build relationships with diverse groups of people
- Eye for details







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