

Job Opportunity

TLP Field Extension Supervisor

Form Ghana Limited

Form Ghana is an **FSC certified** forest plantation company started in 2007 and managing 20,000 hectares of land with over 8,500 hectares reforested with teak and indigenous tree plantations and nature conservation areas. The company employs 1,000 people and interacts actively with local communities and authorities to develop in harmony with neighbours and stakeholders.

Form Ghana in collaboration with Form International manage a fixed term landscape restoration programme that aims to restore the degraded forest and agricultural landscape in the **fringes** of Form Ghana's reforestation areas in the Tain II Forest Reserve. With a long term aim to improve the management, productivity and biodiversity values at landscape scale in this region, the TLP programme is working with **communities and smallholders** on agricultural interventions, a community fire campaign, agroforestry pilots in demonstration farms, and other interventions that assist farmers to effectively establish tree plantations, climate smart agriculture and enhance natural resource management, which should lead to higher productivity, more **income generation** and **sustainable land management** by the local communities. At the landscape level the project seeks to strengthen landscape governance with key stakeholders such as Forestry Commission, Traditional Authorities and Assemblies to address fire risk reduction, nature conservation and improved land management. This project builds on the Public Private Partnership that Form Ghana has in place since 2013 with Forestry Commission and Traditional Authorities.

Job description

Form Ghana seeks for the Tain II Forest Reserve Landscape Project an experienced, hands-on Field Extensionist to provide technical assistance to farmers for implementing project recommendations on fire management, agro-forestry (including climate smart agriculture and tree production) and nature conservation. The Field Extensionist will be responsible for extension of the related project messages on these themes to the farmers and other key-stakeholders.

The Field Extensionist will report to Form Ghana's Project Coordinator and will be part of a team of four Field Extensionists.

The Field Extensionist has a strong background in agronomy and/or forestry, enjoys working in the field, has an entrepreneurial attitude but can also communicate well with farmers.

The position as Field Extensionist for this landmark project provides a unique opportunity to engage hands-on with forest landscape development and restoration, have meaningful impact on the lives of local people and improve landscape management, while building on Form Ghana's experience, established structures and Form International's international support team.

The role of the Field Extensionist is to directly assist the Project Coordinator to deliver the project outputs according to defined objectives and requirements, by providing technical assistance to farmers, to monitor progress, and to provide feedback to project management on approaches and results. The successful candidate will be employed at Form Ghana's field site in Berekum, Brong-Ahafo.

Key responsibilities

- Development of personal knowledge and skills in topics promoted by the programme on fire management, agro-forestry and nature conservation
- Familiarisation with the operational area (target groups and operational context)
- Field extension work to target groups (meetings, trainings, trials and demonstrations)
- Monitoring of adoption of project recommendations by target groups
- Reporting to management
- Pro-active feedback to Project Coordinator and/or Programme Manager as needed to ensure sound progress
- Participation in meetings for planning and coordination with the project team and external partners

Qualifications

- BSc degree level qualification or higher in agriculture, agroforestry or forestry
- At least 2 years of extension experience in agriculture, agroforestry or forestry
- Good command of both English and Twi languages
- Excellent communication skills
- Able to work independently while also being a strong team player
- Motorcycle driving license

Form Ghana offers

- A position as Field Extensionist in the Form Ghana team
- A salary of GHS1,725/month plus secondary terms of employment, fitting your knowledge and experience
- A tightly-knit team of professional colleagues, that cooperate in an informal way
- An excellent work climate with perspectives for further development

Deadline

Friday 18th September 2020 at 12:00 noon

Job Location

Berekum – Bono Region

Contact

We invite you to send your application (with motivation) and CV to: m.awuni@formghana.org or posted to:

The Human Resource and Development Manager

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Note:

Applicants who do not hear from us in two weeks after the deadline (2nd November 2020) were not selected.

Female candidates are encouraged to apply