

## Paid Internships Available

*Forest Stewards*, an affiliated entity of WCU, is a non-profit corporation committed to promoting sustainable resource management throughout the southern Appalachians. We are currently working with over a dozen landowners who possess nearly 20,000 acres of land; and we offer a number of paid internships that include part-time positions during the school year, and full-time positions during the summer.

**Starting pay rate:** \$7 to \$9 per hour

**Starting date:** Often continuous, but spring openings begin in January 2009

### **Typical job duties:**

- Assist in forest stand examinations
- Participate in water quality monitoring and sampling
- Assist in the implementation of management treatments including laying out timber sales, herbicide application, and other management practices
- Create maps and perform basic GIS analyses
- Assist graduate students and other project cooperators in research data collection
- Enter data into spreadsheets
- Assist in the preparation of forest stewardship plans
- Various other tasks related to resource conservation and management

### **Preferred qualifications:**

- Strong interest and course work in Natural Resource Conservation & Management
- Strong work ethic, positive attitude, personal integrity, and the ability to get along with others
- Ability and desire to work outdoors in the mountains of western NC under a variety of environmental conditions
- Ability to work 10 hours per week during the academic year and 40 hours per week during the summer. Ideally, interns are free to work all day at least 1 day each week during the school year.
- Driver's license – in many cases interns will provide their own transportation and will be reimbursed at state rates.

### **Application procedure:**

- Write a brief cover letter outlining your career objectives and why you are interested in this type of position. Be sure to include your phone number, email, and other contact information.
- Copies of your transcripts for all college coursework (unofficial copies are OK)
- Submit these materials and a short resume to either Rob Lamb or Peter Bates (both have mailboxes in the GNR Department Office) by **Friday, November 14, 2008**.

**Forest Stewards will hold an informational meeting for interested students on Friday, October 24 at 1:00 PM in ST355**