

Forest Health Monitoring Program Monthly Update - Supplement September 21, 2017

WHAT'S NEW

The Forest Health Monitoring (FHM) Program is now accepting proposals for Evaluation Monitoring (EM) projects. The EM component of FHM is designed to evaluate undesirable changes in forest health. Projects funded through EM investigate the extent, severity, and/or causes of forest health problems. The call letter, proposal instructions and program guidelines, and the proposal form are now available on the Forest Health Protection [FHP Grants web site](https://www.fs.fed.us/foresthealth/grants.shtml) (<https://www.fs.fed.us/foresthealth/grants.shtml>). If you have questions or would like more information, please contact the FHM Regional Manager where you are located. Information can be found on page 2 of the proposal instructions and program guidelines. Proposals for new and continuing projects should be submitted to the appropriate FHM Regional Manager by **November 9, 2017**. Please note that links to information for all FHP special grants (Forest Health Monitoring Evaluation Monitoring [EM]; Special Technology Development Projects [STDP]; Forest Service Pesticide Impact Assessment Program [FS-PIAP]; and Biological Control of Invasive Plants [BCIP]) are listed on the [FHP Grants web site](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS

(Items beginning with * indicate a new listing or new information)

- ***CORRECTION in the dates: October 17-18, 2017.** Logan, UT, Utah State University. Restoring the West Conference 2017. The theme of this conference is *Forest Restoration: What's Working, What's Not?* A variety of forest restoration experts will present case studies and discuss their experiences with forest restoration. There will be two days of plenary sessions along with a poster session and evening social. For complete information about the conference including registration (deadline is **September 30, 2017**), housing, poster submission, and the agenda, visit the [conference web site](#).

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

The Arizona Department of Forestry and Fire Management (DFFM) is currently advertising for a Forest Program Specialist to work with the Cooperative Forestry Team and be responsible for implementation of a

comprehensive and robust statewide forest health program. This position is located in Phoenix, Arizona. The position is responsible for:

- Providing forest health technical assistance and outreach to community groups, local governments, landowners, related businesses, and Native American tribal organizations statewide. Respond to requests for technical assistance from state and private landowners and managers (urban and non-urban).
- Oversee and participate in all aspects of cost assistance projects, which may include field forestry work, remote sensing, data collection, data reporting, and tracking accomplishments of specific grant projects. Manage Western Bark Beetle Initiative grant projects.
- Lead agency efforts in completing annual aerial detection surveys for insects and pathogens in Arizona forests. Participate in flight surveys, data collection and synthesis, and annual report compilation.
- Maintaining project records and financial documents; prepare needed paperwork for assigned projects. Compile accomplishment reports and other publications as necessary.
- Assisting with urban interface forestry management planning, including forest health and maintenance (disease prevention).
- Major position emphasis will be in forest health, though the incumbent may also work in other general grant-funded forestry related functions including: urban forestry, invasive species management, public outreach, forest inventory, forest land management plan assistance, forest stewardship, geographical information systems mapping, and fuels mitigation.

For more information about the position, click on this [direct link](#) to the announcement. You can also go to the [online state job portal](#) and use the search term “Forestry” or use the position number 32796 to find the position quickly. To be considered, applications for this position must be submitted online through the online state job portal (see the top or bottom of the job announcement). The close date for the position is **Monday, September 25, 2017**. *Arizona State Government is an EOE/ADA Reasonable Accommodation Employer.*

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