Position Announcement: Assistant Professor of Forest Ecophysiology, Department of Forestry, Mississippi State University.

Forest Ecophysiology: Assistant Professor (55% Research, 45% Teaching), Department of Forestry, Forest and Wildlife Research Center, Mississippi State University.

Qualifications: Ph.D. degree in Forestry, Forest Ecology, Plant Physiology or related field; all but dissertation (ABD) applicants will be considered. Preferred candidates should have a record of scholarly publications, the potential to secure external funding, and demonstrated evidence of effective teaching. Experience in assessing environmental response to disturbance in forested ecosystems is highly desirable.

Responsibilities: The successful candidate will be expected to 1) develop a graduate course in forest ecophysiology and 2) develop one or more undergraduate courses that contribute to the Department's Forestry major and/or new major in Natural Resources and Environmental Conservation. The successful candidate will be expected to develop an extramurally funded research program in forest ecophysiology and related areas. Collaboration with scientists and educators in other forestry, natural resources, and environmental disciplines is strongly encouraged. Opportunities exist to collaborate with the USDA Forest Service and other state and federal agencies, southern landowners, NGOs, and managers.

Rank and Salary: Tenure-track Assistant Professor, full-time, 9-month or 12-month appointment. Salary is negotiable and commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Department Profile: The Department of Forestry is one of three departments in the College of Forest Resources and the Mississippi Forest and Wildlife Research Center, which is a separately funded state agency. Departmental activities include undergraduate and graduate instruction, research, and extension programs in forestry and natural resources. Laboratory and greenhouse facilities are available in Thompson Hall and on the campus of Mississippi State University. In addition, the Department manages the John W. Starr Memorial Forest, an 8,200-acre research and teaching forest six miles from campus.

Mississippi State University is a Carnegie Very High Research Activity institution and a land grant university with a strong connection to the state-wide Extension Service. Mississippi State University is located in Starkville, a beautiful college town in northeast Mississippi (<a href="http://www.msstate.edu/web/about">www.msstate.edu/web/about</a></a>

Application Procedure: Screening of applicants will begin June 1st, 2014 and continue until a suitable applicant is found. Applications must be made on the Mississippi State University Employment opportunities website via the link: <u>http://www.jobs.msstate.edu</u> (PARF Number 7860). We also request that applicants send (in a single pdf) a letter of application, curriculum vitae, copies of transcripts, a brief statement of research and teaching interests, and complete contact information for three professional references to:

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