Position Opening
Field Technicians: Longleaf pine ecology
The Savannah River Site, South Carolina

We seek to fill two field technician positions for a large-scale experiment on the restoration of longleaf pine plant communities in the Southeastern United States. Primary job duties will include field, laboratory, and office tasks required for experimental studies of plant community restoration and plant-animal interactions. Understory vegetation surveys will be a major task, and the technician must be prepared to learn to identify species in a diverse upland longleaf pine flora. The position will begin on June 9, 2014 and will last for 4-6 months. Pay rate will be \$10-12 per hour, commensurate with experience. The technician will work at the Savannah River Site, live in a town near the site (Aiken or New Ellenton, SC, or Augusta, GA), and will join a team of two principal investigators (John Orrock at The University of Wisconsin-Madison and Lars Brudvig at Michigan State University), a post-doctoral researcher (Nash Turley), and a lead technician (Joe Ledvina). Housing is not provided, but low-cost options are plentiful. Successful candidates will have a background in ecology, biology, or a related discipline. Previous field research experience is required, previous botanical field experience is highly desired, and experience handling small mammals is also desired. The successful applicant must be able to endure hot, humid conditions and long hours in the field.

Michigan State University is an equal opportunity employer. Women and minorities are strongly encouraged to apply.

*Because the research site is a highly secure area run by the federal government, non- United States citizens may have difficulty gaining clearance to work there.

To apply, please email a CV or resume, and a letter describing past experience including any botanical skills, why this position is interesting or important to you, dates of availability, and contact information with email addresses for two references to Joe Ledvina at: remnant.srs@gmail.com. Review of application materials will begin immediately. Applications received after May 2, 2014 will not be considered.