COMING JOIN OUR TEAM!!

**PERMANENT FULL-TIME**

**FOREST PLANNER**

ʔaq̓am is located in the beautiful, sunny centre of Ktunaxa Traditional Territory in the southeast corner of British Columbia. If you love the outdoors, the mountains, fresh air, and the sun, this is the place for you. We are here to work towards achieving ʔaq̓am’s Vision: “A vibrant, healthy community, speaking our language, governing effectively, and maximizing our lands and resources for the benefit of future generations and all living things, in a manner consistent with qanikitał (our values and principles).” Be a part of an excellent team, perform meaningful work that will realize long term benefits, share in worthwhile accomplishments, celebrate successes, join in the camaraderie, build strong relationships and enjoy lifelong learning!

**Position Summary:**
The Forest Planner will provide professional forest management advice to colleagues and decision makers to support the development of ʔaq̓am’s forestry assets. You are intuitive and skilled in your ability to comprehend forestry-related legislation, synthesize the overarching strategic objectives of ʔaq̓am and work with a collaborative and consultative approach with both community and external stakeholders, to develop meaningful, long-term forestry plans that advance our self-governance development processes.

**KEY RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Engage in forest management and strategic planning for ʔaq̓am's forestry assets including our forested land base on Reserve lands, replaceable tenure, and new opportunities
- Implement ecosystem restoration and fuel mitigation projects on ʔaq̓am lands, inclusive of prescribed burning
- Explore potential business to business initiatives with key industry partners in the Rocky Mountain Resource District and Kootenay Boundary Region
- Conduct a timber supply analysis for areas of interest for a potential ʔaq̓am First Nations Woodland License
- List opportunities for additional tenure acquisition and advocate for allocations to ʔaq̓am with the Ktunaxa Nation and the Provincial Government

The successful candidate will be a Registered Professional Forester (RPF), or eligible for registration, with the Association of British Columbia’s Forest Professionals with 5 years’ experience in a similar role, developing strategic plans, and land and resource development. Project management experience would be an asset as well as demonstrated knowledge of Ktunaxa/Aboriginal people and Ktunaxa/Aboriginal culture. We are seeking a strategic, analytical thinker with a Community focused approach who will take initiative to prioritize multiple projects with a high degree of ethics, confidentiality and integrity. You must have a clear Criminal Record and provide proof of such as well as provision of a clean driver’s abstract and a Valid Class 5 license.

**To see the full job description of this position please visit our website:** [aqam.net under Employment Opportunities](aqam.net)

Salary: $61,789 to $96,698 per year plus generous leave and employee benefits package

**Please submit your cover letter and résumé marked “Forest Planner” to:** Recruiting at ʔaq̓am
email: [jointheteam@aqam.net](mailto:jointheteam@aqam.net)
Applications will be accepted until a suitable candidate is selected, first résumé review to take place February 27, 2023

Preference will be given to candidates of Ktunaxa or other First Nations ancestry and ʔaq̓am encourages applicants to self-identify within your application. Thank you to all those that apply, however only those selected for an interview will be contacted.