



SUSTAINABLE FORESTRY INITIATIVE

SFI-00001

Position: Coordinator, GIS and Conservation Research
Supervisor: Senior Director of Conservation Science and Strategy
Location: Flexible in Canada
Status: Full-time, Non-Exempt from Overtime

At the Sustainable Forestry Initiative® Inc. (SFI), we believe that sustainable forests are critical to our collective future. SFI® is a sustainability leader through our work in **standards, conservation, community, and education**. As an independent, non-profit organization, we collaborate with our diverse network to provide solutions to local and global sustainability challenges. SFI works with the forest sector, brand owners, conservation groups, resource professionals, landowners, educators, local communities, Indigenous Peoples, governments, and universities. SFI Inc. is governed by an independent three-chamber board of directors representing environmental, social, and economic sectors equally.

SFI advances conservation objectives in forests throughout North America through the values expressed in our standards, carefully targeted research and grants, leadership of critical initiatives, and developing partnerships that bridge the forest landowner and conservation communities.

In collaboration with SFI's Senior Director of Conservation Science and Strategy, the SFI Coordinator of GIS and Conservation Research will advance SFI's mission by using GIS as a tool to explore and conduct critical research, develop the groundwork for research partnerships, and creatively communicate key results to diverse audiences. The coordinator will participate in attainment of team priorities, maintain relationships with partner organizations, and provide GIS support to the conservation team and other pillars as needed.

ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS:

- Use GIS to enumerate and creatively communicate SFI's Conservation Impact.
- Perform preliminary analyses to help build and develop potential new research ideas for partnerships.
- Provide expedited in-house GIS analyses and maps for queries related to our certified area or research initiatives, in support of all SFI pillars.
- Work with the Senior Director of Conservation Science and Strategy to collect and manage data to track progress of SFI's conservation work, and to help guide team priorities.
- Maintain relationships with partner organizations relative to GIS and research, and particularly with data providers within Certified Organizations.
- Provide ongoing technical and GIS support to other pillars on an as-needed basis.
- Develop, execute, and manage an ongoing strategy to gather and assess critical spatial information provided by Certified Organizations to build understanding of conservation outcomes, including:
 - Provide ongoing organization, management and updating of SFI's spatial data and current Esri products.
 - Collect, organize, distill and store spatial and other data from Certified Organizations, partner projects, and other sources for analysis.

EDUCATION/EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS:

- Degree in Environmental Science or related discipline.
- Advanced training in Geographic Information Sciences.
- At least 2 years of experience using GIS as an analytical tool toward conservation outcomes.

QUALIFICATIONS/PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:

The ideal candidate will bring:

- Demonstrated ability to be a problem solver, utility player and self-starter
- Positive attitude and high energy, enjoyment working cooperatively in a team environment, and will prioritize the mission over individual agendas
- Experience building positive and collaborative relationships with partners and stakeholders
- Track record for managing multiple complex projects in a fast-paced environment, handling tasks with diplomacy, tenacity, patience, and a drive for results
- Excellent organizational skills with attention to detail and the ability to effectively plan, analyze, and meet deadlines
- Proficiency with Microsoft Office suite (particularly Outlook, Word, Excel and PowerPoint)
- Proficiency with ArcGIS software.
- Superior written and verbal communications skills
- A sound work ethic with the ability to act both independently and as part of a team

SFI Inc. is proud to provide our employees with a collaborative, dynamic, and rewarding professional experience, with a competitive compensation and benefits package and growth opportunities. We are committed to creating a diverse environment and being an equal opportunity employer. Our team represents a broad range of cultures, education, disciplines, and work and life experiences, and we strive to leverage these differences in our daily work. We will not discriminate against any employee or applicant on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, age, gender, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, disability, or any other protected characteristic. We believe in creating an empowered and supportive team that is committed to advancing sustainability through forest-focused collaborations. Learn more about [SFI Staff Culture](#).