

THE JONES CENTER AT ICHAUWAY

FOREST MANAGEMENT AND CONSERVATION SCIENTIST

The Jones Center at Ichauway invites applications for a research position in **Applied Ecology for Forest Conservation and Restoration Management**. This is a permanent position with 12-month salary and responsibilities of 70% research and 30% education/outreach. The position is ranked for either Assistant or Associate Scientist depending upon applicant experience and qualifications. The Center is seeking candidates with expertise to complement our existing staff and integrative, multi-disciplinary programs. Filling this position will provide the Center with a synergistic pairing of ecology and management. Building on the strengths and history of ecological research, this will give the Center a holistic approach from the individual tree to the stand to the landscape of the Southeast. This will allow for integrated, transdisciplinary studies that should be very attractive to external collaborators and funders.

This **Applied Forest Ecology and Management** position, requires a Ph.D. in Forestry, Forest Ecology or sciences related to forest management, silviculture, or restoration with a preference for experience with pines. The successful candidate will demonstrate the ability to establish a successful research program in the area(s) of applied ecology, silviculture, forest conservation and restoration, stand development, or fire ecology. We are especially interested in candidates who will develop a field-oriented research program that addresses applied information needs related to longleaf pine and other open pine system management, restoration and conservation. The successful candidate will be also be expected to build a regionally to nationally recognized outreach program in applied ecology, and longleaf pine silviculture and conservation, as demonstrated by success in developing impactful education programs and outreach activities. The candidate will be expected to use a wide array of creative educational tools and strategies to address issues faced by a wide range of stakeholders including forest managers, practitioners, landowners, and forest industries. The candidate will be expected to acquire extramural funding to supplement the base support provided. This funding will allow for additional research, student advisement, and outreach activity. The candidate is also expected to develop peer reviewed research publications, and scholarly extension publications and resources; and build, maintain, and lead effective collaborations and partnerships.

Several ongoing long-term research projects provide extensive data and collaboration possibilities, as do long-term monitoring data sets. Education and outreach programs focus on training for natural resource professionals and undergraduate and graduate university students. Adjunct or affiliate faculty status at regional universities is expected and facilitated.

The Jones Center at Ichauway is an independent institution supported by the Robert W. Woodruff Foundation. The mission of the Center is to understand, demonstrate and promote excellence in natural resource management and conservation. Our three research programs – Woods, Water and Wildlife – operate within a living laboratory in a working forest. The Center is located within a 29,000-acre ecological reserve in southwest Georgia, and includes modern laboratories and offices. It has over 17,000 acres of mature, fire-maintained longleaf pine forests, more than 3,000 acres of longleaf plantations for restoration, and ten miles of frontage along the Flint River. Ichauway is managed by a skilled land management staff for conservation, research and education objectives, and provides an exceptional setting for field research and demonstration. The Center cooperates with several regional research universities, as well as numerous state and federal natural resource agencies. Ichauway is a National Ecological Observatory Network site. Applicants must be legally authorized to work in the U.S. More information can be found at www.jonesctr.org. The Jones Center at Ichauway is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer. Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled.

For full consideration, **apply by March 31, 2021**. Send letter of application, curriculum vitae, and three references with contact information by email to: jobs@jonesctr.org, **Subject line: FOREST SCIENTIST**. For specific questions contact Dr. Kier Klepzig, Director, (229)903-3775 or by email: kier.klepzig@jonesctr.org