

Who we are:

The Department of Environment and Conservation exists to enhance the quality of life for citizens of Tennessee and to be stewards of our natural environment.

Our Department is committed to providing a cleaner, safer environment that goes hand-in-hand with economic prosperity and increased quality of life in Tennessee. We deliver on our mission through managing regulatory programs that maintain standards for air, water and soil quality while providing assistance to businesses and communities in areas ranging from recreation to waste management. We manage the state park system and programs to inventory, interpret and protect Tennessee's rich natural, historical, and archaeological heritage.

About the Tennessee State Parks

From its beginning in 1937, Tennessee State Parks were established to protect and preserve the unique natural, cultural and historic resources of Tennessee. The public interest has also been served by a variety of benefits for citizens and communities produced by our state park system, promoting stronger communities and healthier citizens across the state through diverse resource-based recreation while conserving the natural environment for today and tomorrow – preserving authentic Tennessee places and spaces for future generations to enjoy. As stewards of the resources in our parks, we seek to manage Tennessee's state parks in order to preserve and protect valued resources and to provide a balance of services and benefits for the enjoyment of the people.

Mission Statement:

To provide professional, effective management and stewardship of the park and all its resources; present compelling interpretation of the park's story and resources; provide opportunities for safe enjoyable outdoor and recreational experiences to all park visitor; provide a safe and inspiring workplace for all park employees and volunteers; manage all park operations to be as efficient and cost effective as possible; and to partner with local community leaders to bring a positive economic impact to the area surrounding the park.



Tennessee State Parks and Conservation Meeman Shelby Forest State Park Park Ranger 1 Annual Salary Range: \$36,636 – \$58,620

Are you looking for an opportunity to work with Tennessee State Parks? Our Tennessee State Parks are among the most beautiful parks in the United States. We have outstanding opportunities to work in a beautiful work environment. This position is located at Meeman Shelby Forest State Park in Millington, TN. The Park has a large campground, vacation cabins, a visitor's center, a nature center, group camp, and various picnic shelters.

This position is the entry level Park Ranger position and will require the candidate be a state commissioned officer recognized by the Tennessee Law Enforcement Training Academy or is willing to become commissioned. The position will also have supervisory oversight of other staff or volunteers working in the park. The preferred candidate will be comfortable working with diverse guests of the park, interacting with a variety of wildlife, and enjoy interpretive programming. The position requires the ability to work with a flexible work schedule, including the ability to work evenings, weekends and some holidays. To be considered for this position you must have a bachelor's degree; preferred degree in Resource Management or a Natural Resource based field of study. To apply for this position: <https://www.tn.gov/careers>.

General Responsibilities:

- Manage assigned operations responsibilities and assist with management of all operations and visitor services.
- Assist with community outreach programs and partner with local businesses and area officials to promote the park and impact economic development.
- Support park and natural area goals of resource protection and management in invasive removal, restoration of natural and cultural areas, and visitor education of resource significance.
- Execute disciplinary action including the enforcement of park rules and regulations or general law enforcement if necessary. Investigate complaints and reported offences.

Pursuant to the State of Tennessee's Workplace Discrimination and Harassment policy, the State is firmly committed to the principle of fair and equal employment opportunities for its citizens and strives to protect the rights and opportunities of all people to seek, obtain, and hold employment without being subjected to illegal discrimination and harassment in the workplace. It is the State's policy to provide an environment free of discrimination and harassment of an individual because of that person's race, color, national origin, age (40 and over), sex, pregnancy, religion, creed, disability, veteran's status or any other category protected by state and/or federal civil rights laws.