

DIVISION OF FOREST RESOURCES

Office of Resource Conservation

Volunteer opportunities include:

Volunteer Burn Crew Member

- Supplements the Department of Natural Resources staff in preparing for and executing prescribed burns in a safe and effective manner
- Assist Department personnel with installing fire breaks, assembling equipment for burning and participation on prescribed burns
- Must be 18, training required

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS - Volunteer must be able to follow directions with minimal direct supervision; possess valid driver's license; be in overall good physical health; be comfortable working in out-of-doors; in some instances, have working knowledge of equipment such as hand tools, water pumps, etc.

The local District Forester will provide instructions on the proper procedures for completion of forms and any special training needed in fire behavior and fire prevention. Selection of volunteers will be determined on a case by case basis and up to the discretion of the District Forester.

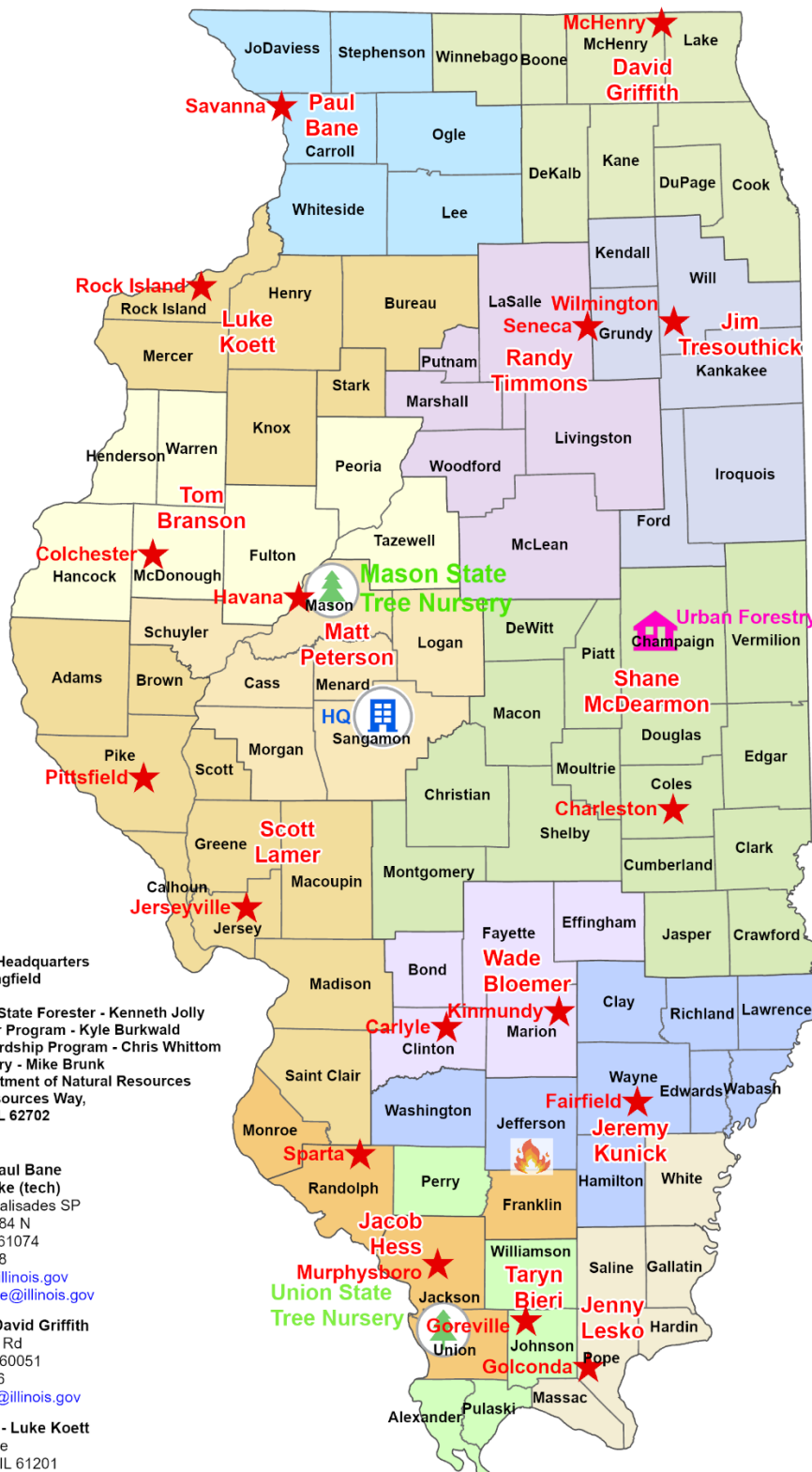
For additional information regarding dates and locations for volunteer projects contact the District Forester in your area. **See below *Forestry District Offices map* for contact information.**

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