



OUTREACH NOTICE

USDA Forest Service
Pacific Southwest Research Station

Biological Science Aid (Natural Resources)

GS-0404-03

Salary range: \$10.46 - \$10.81 per hour

Duty Station: Arcata, CA

Announcement number: OCRT-404-3-GENERAL-DT

This is to announce that there will be two full-time temporary Biological Science Aid (Natural Resources) GS-0404-03 positions available with the USDA Forest Service, Pacific Southwest Research Station. Work will start around 01 June 2012 and continue until around the end of July 2012, or possibly longer depending on progress. Work location is near the town of Point Arena in coastal Mendocino County, CA. See application instructions below.

These positions will provide new information on the distribution of the Point Arena mountain beaver (*Aplodontia rufa nigra*), a federally-listed endangered species. Aids will assist in locating and surveying ground transects to determine the presence of mountain beaver burrows, and with placement of hair snares to collect genetic samples.

Applicants must be in excellent physical condition, as most of the work will occur in the field, under all weather and terrain conditions, and often off-trail. Daily exposure to poison oak, thick brush, and ticks is likely. Possession of a valid driver's license is helpful but not required.

Applicants must be US citizens, and will be required to apply on-line at the USAJOBS website: www.usajobs.gov. In the "What" box, enter the announcement number shown above (OCRT-404-3-GENERAL-DT). Click on "Search Jobs" then click on the job title. To apply for this position, click on the "How to Apply" tab and follow the instructions. To be considered for this position, you must select "Arcata, CA" in the "Applicant Information/Preferred Location(s)" section of the AVUE on-line application.

Those who wish to be considered for these positions must apply to the vacancy announcement listed above by 21 March 2012. All applicants who have applied to the announcement on or before this date and are found to be qualified, will be referred for consideration. The US Forest Service is an equal-opportunity employer.

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