

## Archaeological Technician Permanent 18/8

GS-0102-7

USFS Land Between The Lakes National Recreation Area will be hiring a permanent 18/8 archaeology technician (GS-0102-07) through USAJobs <https://www.usajobs.gov/>

If you are interested in applying for this position, please email responses to this outreach with the requested information (see end of announcement) to: [jwbennett@fs.fed.us](mailto:jwbennett@fs.fed.us)

Please contact Jamie Bennett at the email above or call [270-924-2015](tel:270-924-2015) for a detailed copy of the position description, questions, or additional information about the position.

All outreach respondents will be sent the duty station location to enter when applying, the position number, and open/close dates when the position is finally posted in USAJobs.

If you do not already have a profile/resume/transcripts/hiring preference documents entered in USA jobs, now would be a good time to complete that portion of your application.

This position is responsible for providing technical support to the heritage resources staff. You will be trained and supervised in field and office by heritage professional staff until our comfort level is reached at which time you may carry out field work more independently. Our goal is to help you reach the level of senior technician on archaeological surveys, ensuring work is accomplished within established rules and methods. Your supervisor will make assignments by defining objectives, priorities, and deadlines and will provide guidance on the possible approach to resolve questionable areas of the assignment and methods to be used.

Archaeological Data and/or Documentation Preparation 50%

Fieldwork in Support of Archeological Surveys 50%

Desired skills include:

- Strong computer skills including databases, Microsoft Office programs, and knowledge of and experience with GIS
- Field surveys, ability to read a topographic map, GPS data collection, create site records, and carry out other field mapping and data collection
- Research reference materials, interview sources
- Artifact collection, analysis, processing, and accessioning
- Good writing skills in order to prepare cultural resource survey reports and site records
- This position may include the opportunity to help serve as a member of an integrated resource team so strong verbal and people skills are a plus
- This position requires someone as interested, diligent, and organized in the office as much (and sometimes more so) as in the field

## About Land Between the Lakes

The LBL Protection Act, which legislatively transferred the management of LBL from the Tennessee Valley Authority to the Forest Service, codifies the original mission of LBL and promotes the continuation of the national demonstration mandate. LBL is a leader among NRAs in cost recovery, and the legislation allows all site-generated revenue to continue to be used in support of LBL's operation. LBL also has a comprehensive customer-driven business system and culture that focuses staff and financial resources on customer and agency priorities.

The mission of LBL is to manage the resources for optimum yield of outdoor recreation and environmental education for the American people by utilizing its demonstration assignment to research, test, and demonstrate innovative programs; to help stimulate the development of the surrounding region; and to extend the beneficial results as widely as possible.

LBL's continuing objectives are to:

- Manage and use the resources of the area to afford maximum opportunities for outdoor recreation and environmental education consistent with ecological considerations;
- Provide outdoor recreation programs, services, and facilities responsive to leisure needs and demands and to demonstrate opportunities;
- Enhance human resources development through cross training and growth opportunities for new skills;
- Promote and utilize opportunities for research, testing and demonstration in LBL;
- Help develop the surrounding area; and
- Enlist the participation and support of the general public, private and public organizations and appropriate leaders in accomplishing the LBL mission.

LBL receives approximately 2 million visits from across the US each year. Activities include general and specialized camping, hunting and fishing, trails (hiking, biking, horse, OHV), a nature center, elk and bison prairie, living history farm, residential group camp, planetarium and observatory. For more information about LBL, visit our web site at [www.lbl.org](http://www.lbl.org).

## **About the Area**

Nestled in the gently rolling hills and lakes of Western Kentucky and Tennessee, the communities that surround LBL offer a variety of lifestyles and modern conveniences, close proximity to major metropolitan areas, and the best features of small town America.

The region is largely farmland interspersed with woodlands, lakes, and streams. The climate is mild, but with four distinct seasons. The surrounding communities range in population from 1,200 to 50,000 and offer a variety of recreation, family attractions, restaurants, shopping, and southern hospitality. Arts and entertainment opportunities include concerts, drama, exhibits, lectures, sporting events, festivals, arts and crafts shows, museums, horse racing and much more. Particularly notable are the area's bluegrass festivals, barbecue, antiques, and nationally acclaimed golf courses. Outdoor recreation abounds with the two giant lakes that border LBL as the centerpiece. In addition to some of the best hunting and fishing in the country, there are also myriad opportunities for biking, hiking, horseback riding, OHVing, camping, birding, and an array of water sports. The area is rich in history including civil war forts, the Trail of Tears, and historic communities. Cultural diversity is evident due partly to the presence of nearby Murray State University, Fort Campbell, and many international companies.

The larger county seats near LBL include Paducah, Murray, Hopkinsville, and Cadiz, Kentucky; and Clarksville, Dover, and Paris, Tennessee. Residents enjoy housing costs that are well below the national average, low taxes, a low crime rate, progressive medical care, excellent public and private education systems, and active community organizations. Murray State University, Austin Peay State University, and two community colleges offer higher education opportunities and many cultural activities. These attributes lead to the lakes region being named among the top retirement areas by Rand McNally in recent years.

LBL is centrally located, easily accessible by I-24 and within two hours of Nashville, a few hours of St. Louis, Evansville, Louisville, and Memphis, and a day's drive of Chicago, Atlanta, Detroit, Kansas City, and New Orleans.

OUTREACH RESPONSE FORM

Title of Position Interested: **Permanent 18/8 Archeological Technician GS-0102-7**

Name:

Date:

Mailing Address

**E-Mail Address**

Phone: Work:

Evenings:

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Are you currently a Federal employee? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent? \_\_\_\_\_ Temporary? \_\_\_\_\_ TERM? \_\_\_\_\_ VRA? \_\_\_\_\_ PWD? \_\_\_\_\_ OTHER?

Current Title/Series/Grade:

Agency Employed with and location:

Brief Description of Qualifying Experience:

My level of Interest in this vacancy: **Just inquiring** \_\_\_\_ **Will Definitely Apply** \_\_\_\_\_