



OUTREACH NOTICE

Fisheries Biologist

GS-0482-7/9

Deschutes/Ochoco National Forests
Bend, Oregon

The Deschutes and Ochoco National Forests are looking for interested candidates to fill a Fisheries Biologist position at the GS-482-7/9 level. The position is a Permanent Seasonal Employee position with an 18/8 tour, works directly for the Forest Fisheries Biologist and will be located in Bend, Oregon. The purpose of this Outreach Notice is to recruit prospective applicants for this opportunity and determine interest in this position.

The Forests Aquatics program is varied, complex and challenging. The position would mainly be working with and directing the Forests aquatics monitoring program including management of stream survey program, stream temperature program, Forest level GIS aquatic layers, coordination with state and federal agencies on monitoring, and updating associated data bases.

GS-0482-7 Position

The position serves as an advanced trainee in the field of fishery management. As an advanced trainee, increases knowledge, skills, and abilities in the fishery biology profession. As part of planned career development, works with and assists senior members of the staff in the performance of analytical/scientific assignments. Collects field data on fish habitats and other aquatic resources for preparation of maps and management plans using all types of sampling equipment. Assembles biological data from records to document the results of past fishery and aquatic resource activities. Classifies habitats and determines stream conditions for fisheries. Conducts aquatic habitat/fish inventories. Assists in preparation of documents related to land management planning to evaluate potential effect of road construction, logging, livestock grazing, mineral extraction, fishery management plans, environmental assessments and biological evaluations. Prepares well-researched and logically organized presentations related to work assignments.

GS-0482-9 Position

This position provides input to the fish habitat management program and includes coordination of studies of fishery populations, gathering and compiling and analyzing data, writing reports and limited environmental analyses. In includes data input and maintenance of a variety of local and national data bases. It leads the habitat inventory program along with the other parts of the Forest Plan monitoring program for the

aquatics resource area. The position works cooperatively with State, Tribal and Federal fish and water quality management agencies. This position leads and develops the program of work for the stream survey crew in cooperation with the District Fisheries Biologists. Participates on interdisciplinary teams and prepares environmental analysis reports in assigned functional area. Performs other duties as assigned.

Physical Requirements

This work is performed both in the office and in the field environment. Much of the work is performed in areas where considerable walking, hiking and climbing over rough terrain, often on slippery surfaces occurs.

Please reply by April 22nd, 2014.

ABOUT THE AREA

The City of Bend is a rapidly-growing metropolitan area located in the central portion of the state, on the east side of the Cascade Mountains. This “High Desert” community is a full-service community that serves as a hub for medical, educational, recreation and entertainment needs for a large geographic area in Central Oregon.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

<u>Elevation:</u>	3,623 feet
<u>Population:</u>	City – ~80,000
<u>County:</u>	Deschutes
<u>Location:</u>	East side of the Cascade Mountains in Central Oregon 20 miles southeast of Sisters, Oregon 15 miles south of Redmond, Oregon
<u>Average Summer Temperatures:</u>	85°/day 44°/night
<u>Average Winter Temperatures:</u>	41°/day 21°/night
<u>Average Annual Precipitation:</u>	12” (mostly in the form of winter snow)
<u>Closest Commercial Airport:</u>	Redmond, Oregon (an easy 15-mile drive to the north); serviced by United, Delta, and Alaska Airlines

SCHOOLS

Bend is served by public and private schools from pre-school through high school. Public schools are administered by the High Desert ESD. Bend offers college level community education courses locally through Central Oregon Community College (COCC) which is located in Bend. COCC offers two-year programs. Additionally, OSU Cascades offers four-year degrees through Oregon State University and the University of Oregon.

HEALTH CARE

Bend has one major hospital and numerous clinics. Redmond offers one community hospital, located about 20 miles north of Bend.

HOUSING

As a rapidly growing city and region, real estate is readily available. A residential three bedroom home averages around \$221,000 and 3 bedroom rentals average \$860 per month. Prices in Redmond are typically lower (average \$165,000 and \$810 respectively).

ANNUAL EVENTS

The local area well is known for its many annual events, including: Pole, Pedal, Paddle race (May), Old-Fashioned Fourth of July Celebration and Bend Summer Festival (July), and Christmas Parade (December). Additionally, a diversity of events and concerts are regularly held at the newly-refurbished downtown Tower Theatre, as well as outdoor concerts at Les Schwab Amphitheater. The nearby towns also offer many festivities, including the Sisters Rodeo and Parade (June) and Outdoor Quilt Show (July), Sunriver Music Festival (August), Sisters Folk and Jazz Festivals (September), just to name a few. The County Fairgrounds in nearby Redmond hosts numerous events, as well as major entertainment on a regular basis. Additionally, annual athletic and recreational events also take place on forest lands under special use permit.

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OUTREACH RESPONSE FORM

If you are interested in this position, please complete this form and email to Daniel Rife (drife@fs.fed.us). Forms may also be mailed to Daniel Rife, 63095 Deschutes Market Road, Bend, Oregon 97701 or FAX #541-383-5531.

I am interested in the following position: Fisheries Biologist

Location: Region 6, Deschutes/Ochoco National Forests

PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Name:

Date:

Address:

E-Mail Address:

Phone:

Current title/series/grade:

Are you currently a Federal employee? YES _____ NO _____

IF YES: Current Agency and location:

Type of Appointment: _____ Permanent _____ Term _____ Temporary

If you are not a current permanent employee (career or career conditional), are you eligible for appointment under any of the following special authorities?

____ Person with Disabilities

____ Veterans Readjustment

____ Former Peace Corps Volunteer

____ Disabled Veteran w/30% Compensable Disability

____ Student Career Experience Program

____ Veterans Employment Opportunities Act of 1998

____ Other

Thank you for your interest in our vacancy.