



Pacific Northwest Region
Rogue River–Siskiyou National Forest
J Herbert Stone Nursery

2014 OUTREACH

Maintenance Worker
WG-4749-07
J Herbert Stone Nursery
Central Point, Oregon

This is a pre-announcement outreach notice. The J Herbert Stone Nursery of the Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest anticipates hiring a permanent full-time Maintenance Worker. The J Herbert Stone Nursery is a regional resource providing bareroot and container grown seedlings to government agencies in the Pacific Northwest Region. Clients served include the Forest Service, BLM, BIA, and other local and regional agencies. The nursery covers 311 acres and includes 240 acres of native plant production fields, five greenhouses, seed storage facilities for the region, extensive cold storage facilities, and significant other nursery related infrastructure. The duty station is Central Point in Southwest Oregon



FOR MORE INFORMATION

Vacancy announcement numbers for these positions will be available soon. Those that wish to be considered for available positions must apply to the corresponding vacancy announcement number. The announcements will be officially posted and searchable on the USA jobs website (www.usajobs.gov) when they open.

If you wish to be notified of the vacancy announcement for this position please complete the Outreach Response Form and return it to jbjustin@fs.fed.us. For more information please contact John Justin, Nursery Manager, at 541-858-6101 or jbjustin@fs.fed.us.

The Position

Maintenance Worker; WG-4749-07

Major Duties:

The maintenance worker performs a variety of tasks involved in the upkeep of all buildings, grounds and related structures, fixtures, and utilities on the Nursery. Performs work in a variety of trade practices associated with the following occupations: plumbing, carpentry, electrical, painting, heating and air conditioning, and other related trades. Remodels and/or repairs such items as commercial greenhouses, warehouses, garages, offices, roofs, etc.

Performs minor building maintenance, both interior and exterior. Operates hand and power tools needed to maintain both interior and exterior spaces of the facility. Carries out painting projects including the use of tools and equipment such sandpaper, paintbrushes, rollers, and spray guns. Performs carpentry work in which the finished appearance of work products is not the primary consideration. Repairs and replaces plumbing, such as toilet flush mechanisms, toilets, rusted drains and traps, faucet washers, faucets, sinks, water heaters and elements, and faulty water supply lines. Clears plugged fixtures such as toilets and sewer lines. Modifies and repairs utility, supply, and disposal systems and equipment such as water distribution systems, irrigation lines, pumps, pump connections, septic tanks, and valves. Obtains and cares for materials, tools, and machines necessary for building maintenance.

Is responsible for basic operation and maintenance of the facility's heating, ventilation, air conditioning, and refrigeration systems. Inspects the facility's HVAC and refrigeration components and systems on a regular basis for proper running cycles, motor temperatures and compressor temperatures, making adjustments and performing minor maintenance tasks, such as oil and filter changes. Makes minor adjustments of temperature and schedule of HVAC and refrigeration systems using the individual thermostats and the Logix system after training.

Operates and performs operator maintenance on passenger vehicles, forklifts, farm tractors, backhoe, and other heavy equipment that may exceed 10,000 GVW and provides technical assistance to all personnel or users of WCF fleet equipment. Reviews and records monthly vehicle inspection reports, makes arrangements for needed repairs, and grounds vehicles with safety items needing repair. Operates farm tractors and back hoe to cultivate fields, harvest seedlings, transport equipment and materials, move earth, dig ditches, or similar purposes. Operates forklift on uneven conditions to unload vehicles and move materials.

As the Facilities Safety Coordinator, is responsible for annual checks and updates for First Aid kits, Spill kits, Eye and Shower wash stations, Fire Alarm Security System, Alarm System and Carbon Monoxide/Smoke Detectors. Works with Nursery Manager to ensure Safety Assessment plan is in place, and updates to Nursery Safety Plans are reviewed annually. Works with Nursery Staff to maintain an up-to-date file of Job Hazard Analyses related to facilities. Maintains and updates hazardous material inventories, including updating facilities Material Safety Data Sheets. Performs internal safety inspections, and assists with external compliance inspections, audits, and reports. On an annual basis, works with Nursery supervisors to provide New Employee Orientation Training which includes First Aid/CPR; Safety Training with tailgate sessions; fire/emergency evacuation plans; vehicle safety; Blood Borne Pathogens; Hazardous Materials; and Radio Training.

Serves as point of contact for response to building and refrigeration alarms at all hours. Ensures building and grounds are secure on a daily basis. May act as work leader for nursery crew or temporary employees tasked with supporting the maintenance of facilities and grounds.

Must have the ability to become a certified Contracting Officer's Representative for service contracts within one year. Must obtain USFS Heavy Equipment license

Community Information

Central Point (population 17,165) is five miles northwest of Medford, Oregon (population 76,850) and is located in Jackson County (population 205,305). Surrounding communities and towns include Ashland, Jacksonville, Grants Pass, and Klamath Falls.

At 1,272 feet above sea level, Central Point is protected by surrounding mountains and has a mild climate. Mean annual precipitation is 20 inches. The seasons are clearly defined, temperatures are generally mild overall, and yearly snowfall is two to three inches on the valley floor. The median winter temperature is 36 degrees. Summers are warm with a median temperature of 94 degrees and an average of 11 days over 100 degrees. Humidity is low.

Educational opportunities are supported in the Central Point area and surrounding communities by numerous public and private schools, Rogue Community College, and Southern Oregon University.

Health care is the number one job producing sector in the area. There are two major

medical centers plus a wide range of clinics and specialists. The Rogue Valley Medical Center has been included on the list of the top 100 Heart Care Hospitals in the United States.

The Medford area has been listed in several publications as one of the top ten places to visit, live, or retire. The pristine surroundings are brimming with historic wealth, cultural attractions, and rich agriculture land. One can experience world-class art and culture at the Oregon Shakespeare Theater, Britt Festival, or the Craterian Ginger Rogers Theater. If getting back to nature is more your style, there is a lot to choose from; hike, bike, ski, whitewater raft and fish, visit Oregon's only National Park, Crater Lake, or explore the natural wonders of the Oregon Caves, enjoy a day of golfing or just stroll the many beautiful parks.

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OUTREACH RESPONSE FORM

If you are interested in applying for this position and want to receive updates of the position's status, please complete the attached outreach form and send electronically (jbjustin@fs.fed.us) or mail to the J Herbert Stone Nursery, 2606 Old Stage Road, Central Point, Oregon 97502, Attn: John Justin, or fax to 541-858-6110.

Position Titles/Series/Grade: **Maintenance Worker**
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Location: **Region 6, Rogue River/Siskiyou National Forest**

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