



Outreach Notice

Forestry Technician (Research)

GS-0462-4



*USDA Forest Service, Southern Research Station
Jasper, Arkansas*

INTRODUCTION: The Southern Research Station will soon be filling a GS-0462-4 Forestry Technician (Research) position at the Henry R. Koen Experimental Forest in Jasper, Arkansas.

MAJOR DUTIES: This position is located at the Henry R. Koen Experimental Forest. The incumbent independently performs technical duties in support of professional scientists conducting various research projects. Collects, compiles, and summarizes a variety of complex research data. Data collection duties include locating study areas and study plots in accordance with study maps and instructions of supervisor, tree species identification with and without leaves, both living and dead (including tree seedlings), use of forestry-related equipment (e.g. field computers, electronic measuring devices, topographic maps, diameter tapes, GPS, laser measuring devices, clinometer, increment borer, trucks, UTV, brush cutters, chainsaws), carrying equipment and supplies up and down steep and rocky mountainous areas in high heat and humidity, and data recording. Assures that field data are collected in an accurate and timely manner. Works safely and promotes safe working habits by following guidelines contained in the Forest Service Health and Safety Code. Applicants must have a valid driver's license.

QUALIFICATIONS: GS-0462-4

TOUR OF DUTY: Temporary—1039—NTE 1 Year

Qualifying experience for the GS-4 level includes six months general experience that demonstrates the applicant's ability to perform the work of the position or that provided familiarity with the subject matter or processes of the occupation AND six months specialized experience at the GS-3 level that is directly related to the line of work of the position to be filled and which has equipped the applicant with

the particular knowledge, skills, and abilities to successfully perform the duties of the position.

SUBSTITUTION OF EDUCATION FOR EXPERIENCE: Experience requirements may be met by successful completion of two (2) academic years of post high school education which included at least 12 semester/18 quarter hours in any combination of courses such as forestry, agriculture, crop or plant science, range management or conservation, wildlife management, watershed management, soil science, natural resources (except marine fisheries and oceanography), outdoor recreation management, civil or forest engineering, or wildland fire science. No more than 3 semester/4 quarter hours in mathematics is creditable.

COMBINATION OF EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE: Equivalent combinations of successfully completed education and experience may be used to meet the experience requirements.

LOCATION: This position will be located at the Henry R. Koen Experimental Forest approximately 3 miles north of Jasper, Arkansas and 16 miles south of Harrison, AR. Most fieldwork will be in the Boston Mountains of the Ozark region.



This office is located near the small community of Jasper, AR - population 466 (based on 2010 data). Just 6 miles south of the Buffalo National River and 10 miles north of the Ozark National Forest Boundary on Scenic Highway 7, Jasper is located in north central Newton County and is the County seat. Newton County is the Elk

Capitol of Arkansas and located in the headwaters of the Buffalo River. Rental housing is scarce in this area. However, there are a wide variety of homes and land parcels to choose from. There are four schools in the county for grades K-12. They are located at Deer, Jasper, Western Grove and Mt. Judea. Harrison, AR, population approximately 13,163 (based on 2012 data) and home to the North Arkansas Community Technical College, is about 16 miles north of the experimental forest. For more information about the Jasper area contact the Jasper/Newton County Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 250, Jasper, AR 72641, Phone 1-800-670-7792 or on the web at <http://theozarkmountains.com/>. For more information about the Harrison area contact the Harrison Chamber of Commerce, 621 East Rush, Harrison, AR 72601, Phone: 870-741-2659 or on the web at <http://www.harrison-chamber.com/>. The Southern Research Station will not pay for relocation costs (moving expenses.)

Interested applicants or those desiring further information can contact Martin Spetich at mspetich@fs.fed.us before the application deadline. Please send the form from the last page of this outreach notice no later than 5:00pm April 25, 2014. You can learn more about the Southern Research Station by visiting our website at www.srs.fs.fed.us. USDA Forest Service is an equal opportunity employer. Please distribute the outreach notice widely and encourage interested candidates to contact Martin Spetich.

Vacancy Announcement and Job Application: The vacancy announcement for this position will be posted on the U.S. Government's official website for employment opportunities at, www.usajobs.gov soon.

Outreach Response Form

USDA Forest Service
Southern Research Station

I am interested in the position and will call the contact person, in addition to checking <http://www.usajobs.gov> for the position announcement as stated above.

REPLY DUE BY 5:00pm April 25, 2014

Position Title/Series/Grade: GS-0462-4 Forestry Technician (Research) Temporary
Location: Jasper, AR

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: _____ **Date:** _____

Address: _____ **Phone:** _____

E-Mail: _____

Current Federal Employee? Yes_____ No_____

Current title/series/grade/location: _____

Type of appointment you are currently under _____
(e.g., Career, Career-Conditional, Excepted, Excepted VRA, etc)

Interested applicants should return this form to:

Martin Spetich

E-Mail: mspetich@fs.fed.us

Phone: (501) 623-1180 ext.105 Fax: (501) 623-0186

Thank you for your interest in employment with the Southern Research Station.

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