

## **OUTREACH NOTICE**

# **Forester (PreSale)**

## **GS-0460-7/9**

**Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests  
Springerville Ranger District  
Springerville, Arizona**

**REPLY BY: May 15, 2014**

The Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests, located in east-central Arizona, will be advertising one (1) GS-0460-07/09, **Forester (Pre-Sale)**. This position is a **permanent full-time** position with a duty station of **Springerville, Arizona**. This notification is being circulated to inform prospective applicants of this upcoming opportunity. If you are interested in applying for this opportunity, please call or send an e-mail message to:

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*Location Preference: **Springerville, AZ***

### **ABOUT THE POSITION...**

The position is a Zone Forester on the Apache side of the Forest (Alpine, and Springerville Ranger Districts). The duty station is the Springerville Ranger District.

This position will serve as a Pre-sale Forester. The position will be responsible for coordinating with resource specialist to ensure a quality project reaches the ground. This will be accomplished by supervising timber sale/stewardship boundary layout, marking, and cruising; working as a specialist on ID teams; preparing timber sale packages/task orders, project area maps, cruise reports and appraisals. Major duties consist of boundary layout, GIS, GPS, data collection and entry, map making, project work and supervising the supervisory marking foreman and marking crews.

The Apache-Sitgreaves NF was the first in the nation to implement a long term stewardship contract. The White Mountain Stewardship contract provided an opportunity to treat small size forest products at a landscape scale and it developed a local forest products industry in need of these materials. The area now has a demand for a multiple range of forest products and the opportunity to accomplish landscape scale restoration projects. The position may be require to provide expertise and to support projects on the Gila NF, and Sitgreaves NF. This is the opportunity to use your knowledge to get the job done better, faster, and cheaper.

In addition to the pre-sale work, the Forest has IDIQ contracts for thinning, meadow restoration, stand exam, and planting that this position may be responsible for the layout and implementation and act as an inspector or Contracting Officer Representative. Work may also intail being on Interdisciplinary teams working on NEPA.

### **ABOUT THE APACHE-SITGREAVES NATIONAL FORESTS:**

The Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests cover more than 2 million acres, including considerable wilderness and primitive areas. Elevations ranging from 3,500 ft (1,067m) to over 11,500 ft (3,54m) result in a diverse climate and a variety of vegetation types including desert scrub, pinyon-juniper,

ponderosa pine, mixed conifer and spruce-fir. Heavy recreation sites include both developed and undeveloped acres. Water is a major attraction with 24 lakes and reservoirs and more than 400 miles of rivers and streams - more than can be found in any other southwestern forest. Four rivers lie within the boundaries of the national forest – Black, Little Colorado, Blue, and San Francisco. The forests supply timber, wildlife, grazing and tourism which help support local communities.

### **ABOUT THE COMMUNITY:**

UNIT: Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests  
TOWN: Springerville & Eagar [Round Valley]  
STATE: Arizona  
ELEVATION: 6,975 Feet  
POPULATION: 6,570  
ESTABLISHED: 1879

Informational Web Sites: <http://www.wmonline.com/attract/rvscenic.htm>  
<http://www.eagar.com>  
<http://www.springerville.com/>

**GENERAL LOCATION:** Located in Northeastern Arizona, the Town of Springerville is at the heart of the growing southwest. Originally established in 1879, Springerville sits at an elevation of 7,000 feet. Growing around Henry Springer's trading post, the town was incorporated in 1948. Along with its neighbor Eagar, both communities reside in the Round Valley on U.S. 60 and State Highways 180-191, approximately 220 miles Northeast of Phoenix, AZ and 200 miles Southwest of Albuquerque, NM.

**TRANSPORTATION:** AIR: Yes - One small airport in Springerville  
Commuter Airport in Show Low [45 miles W]  
Major Jet Port(s): Albuquerque, NM [200 miles NE]  
Phoenix, AZ [220 miles SW]  
Bus: Yes

**ECONOMIC BACKGROUND:** A variety of industries shape the Round Valley's economic profile. In the early days, cattle and sheep ranching were principal economic activities, but these have gradually been replaced by tourism, agriculture, construction, forestry, and retail sales in support of the 6,000+ local residents and an additional 9,000 residents that make up the trade area.

**HOUSING:** Government quarters may be available. There are several single family homes for sale in the area ranging in price from \$100,000 to \$250,000 and up. There are also some rental houses, mobile homes, apartments, and duplexes available, though these are not in abundance.

**UTILITIES:** Navopache Electric Co-op supplies electricity to the Round Valley area. While natural gas is not available in this area as of yet, there are several propane companies to choose from if you don't want to go complete electric. Woodburning stoves are used in abundance as well as pellet stoves. There are no burning restrictions in place as of now.

**TELEVISION:** No over air broadcast or cable exist within the communities.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** Telephone service is provided by Frontier Communications. Cellular phone service is also available. There are several local internet providers, broadband/DSL access is available. There are two weekly newspapers and one biweekly newspaper produced locally, with major newspapers from larger cities available daily.

**SCHOOLS:** All grades of school are available from Kindergarten thru grade 12 [Charter & Public]. We also have a local branch of the Northland Pioneer Community College located in Eagar.

**HOSPITALS:** White Mountain Regional Medical Center is a hospital located in Springerville, with ambulance service available. Air ambulance service is also available. Navapache Regional Medical Center is a full service hospital located in Show Low, AZ, 45 miles west of Springerville.

**DOCTORS:** There are several physicians available locally. Show Low, Pinetop-Lakeside also have numerous physicians and specialists within 45 miles of the Round Valley area. In addition, there are chiropractors and optometrists locally.

**DENTISTS:** There are dentists locally with several more in the Show Low and Pinetop-Lakeside area.

**CHURCHES:** There are several churches locally such as; Assembly of God, Baptist, Catholic, Church of Christ, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Jehovah Witness, Lutheran, Presbyterian, Non-denominational, Full Gospel, and Seventh Day Adventist.

**RECREATION:** Opportunities for recreation include a City Park with activities listed for Soccer, Basketball, Little League Baseball, Adult Softball, and Football Fields. These are in addition to the water/snow skiing, hunting and camping opportunities nearby.

**FIRE/POLICE DEPARTMENTS:** The towns of Springerville and Eagar each have their own police department and volunteer fire departments, although each supports the other as needed.

**LIBRARY:** There is one city library shared by both towns in the Round Valley area.

**SHOPPING FACILITIES:** There is one supermarket and three convenience stores located in Springerville, as well as one supermarket and two convenience stores in Eagar. There is also, one drug store, three variety stores, three auto parts stores and several specialty stores located in the Round Valley area. Shopping at Show Low 45 miles away includes Home Depot, Wal-Mart, K-Mart, larger grocery stores, clothing and shoe stores, and many other specialty stores

**BANKS:** There are two banks located in Eagar and one bank in Springerville.

**MOTELS:** There are seven motels ranging from Best Western and Super 8 to local owned.

## **FOR MORE INFORMATION....**

For more information about the duties of position, please contact:

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The vacancy announcement for this position, when open, will be posted at **USAJOBS** website, the U.S. Government's official site for jobs and employment information:

<http://www.usajobs.opm.gov>.

**Thank you for your interest in our Vacancy!**

**OUTREACH FORM**

Return Form To: **Raymond Rugg:** [rrugg@fs.fed.us](mailto:rrugg@fs.fed.us)

**REPLY BY:**

Job Title and Grade: Forester (Pre-Sale)GS-0460-/7/9

Location of Position being advertised: Springerville Ranger District, Springerville, Arizona

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Telephone Number: Work: \_\_\_\_\_ Home: \_\_\_\_\_

Type Of Appointment: \_\_\_\_\_ Permanent \_\_\_\_\_ Temporary \_\_\_\_\_ Term \_\_\_\_\_ VRA

\_\_\_\_\_ PWD \_\_\_\_\_ OTHER: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Region/Forest/District \_\_\_\_\_

Current Series and Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Position Title: \_\_\_\_\_

If not a current permanent (career or career conditional) employee are you eligible to be hired under any of the following special authorities:

\_\_\_\_\_ Persons with Disabilities

\_\_\_\_\_ Veterans Readjustment

\_\_\_\_\_ Disabled Veterans W/30% Compensable Disability

\_\_\_\_\_ Veterans Employment Opportunities Act of 1998

\_\_\_\_\_ Former Peace Corps Volunteer

\_\_\_\_\_ Student Career Experience Program

\_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_