

USDA Forest Service Southwest Region

Outreach Notice Lincoln National Forest



Timber Sale Administrator GS-0462-06/07/08/09

The Lincoln National Forest will be seeking a candidate for a **permanent, full-time Timber Sale Administrator GS-0462-06/07/08/09** position located on the **Sacramento Ranger District, Cloudcroft, New Mexico**. This position is located on the Sacramento Ranger District but is zoned over the entire Forest. The Timber Program is committed to meeting the vegetative treatment needs of all three Ranger Districts. The purpose of this Outreach Notice is to inform prospective applicants of this upcoming opportunity and to assess interest. The position will be advertised through USAJobs.gov. To express interest in this position, please complete the attached voluntary Outreach Interest Form and return to **Marisa Bowen** at mbowen@fs.fed.us by close of business on **August 22, 2014**.

All interested applicants will be notified of the vacancy announcement number and closing date when it becomes available. The vacancy announcement for this position, when open, will be posted at the USA Jobs website, the U.S. Government's official site for jobs and employment information:
<http://www.usajobs.opm.gov>

DUTIES ASSOCIATED WITH THIS POSITION:

- Reviews the contract and related pre-sale data such as preliminary logging plan, environment assessment report, appraisal, etc.
- Determines that all prerequisites to contract work are taken care of such as, but not limited to, advance deposits, delegations of authority, road construction and timber cutting coordination, improvement locations, operating schedule, logging plan preparation, scaling arrangements, and environmental protection measures.
- Reviews plans and schedules with purchasers to assure common understanding of conditions and responsibilities.
- Throughout the life of the sale, is responsible for continuing field inspection and control of purchaser's operations such as falling, skidding and yarding, loading, and hauling.
- Determines whether utilization, slash disposal, and erosion control are adequate.
- Documents all findings for the sale record.
- Takes appropriate action to correct deficiencies, and assesses penalties when needed.
- Advise purchaser's field representatives of adequacy or inadequacy of operations and achieves compliance with contract terms, including safety and employment requirements.
- Determines when log hauling may be allowed on system roads.
- Initiates requests for payment, bond changes, or cooperative work.
- Reviews timber sale statements or accounts and maintains controls to insure that all payments and deposits are made.
- Coordinates sale administration duties with other unit timber and related activities.
- Keeps supervisor informed of major problems.
- Serves as the Contracting Officer's Representative (COR) on service contracts and inspects work for compliance with contract specifications and provisions.
- Uses approved procedures and techniques in preparing service contracts that include delineating areas and preparing the sample contract.
- Ensures that all contractual obligations are met before making final inspection and recommending sale closure.

For more information on the position, contact **Marisa Bowen at 575-682-5344 or mbowen@fs.fed.us**.

ABOUT THE FOREST:

The Lincoln National Forest is known as the birthplace of the world-famous Smokey Bear, the symbol of the campaign to prevent forest fires. The original Smokey Bear is buried in Capitan, New Mexico.

The Lincoln covers approximately 1.3 million acres and consists of three Ranger Districts - Smokey Bear, Sacramento, and Guadalupe. There are three major mountain ranges that cover 1,103,441 acres in southeastern New Mexico - Sacramento, Guadalupe, and Capitan. Elevations of 4,000 to 11,500 feet pass through five different life zones from Chihuahuan desert to subalpine forest. Vegetation ranges from rare cacti in the lower elevations to Engelmann spruce in the higher elevations.

More people use the Lincoln National Forest and the surrounding areas for recreation than for all other uses combined. Climatic relief provided by the mountains draws people in the summer from surrounding deserts and plains. The Forest offers the user a variety of recreational opportunities any season of the year. Whether you enjoy sight-seeing, wildlife watching, picnicking, camping, hiking, nature study, hunting, fishing, mountain biking, horseback riding, motorcycling, snowmobiling, alpine or cross country skiing, or caving, the Lincoln National Forest can provide the recreational experience you are seeking.

ABOUT THE COMMUNITY:

Sacramento Ranger District: The Sacramento Ranger District is headquartered in Cloudcroft, New Mexico, and manages over 450,000 acres in elevations ranging from 4,600 to 9,695 feet.

The Sacramento District invites the hikers to the rails to trails and Railroad Depot visitors' area to learn the history of the "Cloud Climbing Railroad" that facilitated timber harvest at the turn of the century. Travelers will find spectacular views of sunsets across the desert as well as breathtaking views of the Tularosa Basin and White Sands National Monument from the Sunspot Scenic Byway. The Byway leads to the Sunspot Solar Observatory at Sacramento Peak and the Apache Point Lunar Observatory. These are unique, educational attractions for visitors. The Forest is a partner in the education/visitors center at Sunspot.

Higher elevations offer mountain meadows, mixtures of pine, fir, aspen, oak, and other vibrant greens which are broken by the brilliance of wildflowers, blossoming plants, and trees that change with the season.

Wildlife is abundant on the District. Deer, elk, turkey, quail, bear, and many types of birds (including the Mexican Spotted Owl of ESA fame) and small animals live on the Forest.

Educational needs are met in the community with primary and secondary public and charter schools located within the towns of Cloudcroft and Alamogordo. New Mexico State University has its main campus in Las Cruces and a satellite campus in Alamogordo and classes from Troy State are available at Holloman AFB.

Government housing is not available. However, rentals are available throughout the above-mentioned areas (Cloudcroft, Mayhill, Alamogordo). Rent ranges from \$450 to \$1000 a month depending on the size and location of the home. Homes for purchase are also available throughout, with an average 2-3-bedroom home ranging from \$100,000 and up...depending on size of home and location. Residences in the Alamogordo area can be considerably less expensive to purchase although rentals are more expensive.

Recreation opportunities include hunting opportunities for both small and large game such as deer, trophy elk, turkey, squirrel, and many others. Other recreation activities include mountain biking, downhill and cross-country skiing, camping, wildlife viewing, and hiking. <http://www.alamogordo.com/>
<http://www.cloudcroft.net/>

Forest Service employees on the workforce reduction placement system list will receive priority consideration and CTAP/ICTAP candidates will receive the appropriate consideration.

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OUTREACH INTEREST FORM

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Lincoln National Forest, Sacramento Ranger District

Please respond by August 22, 2014

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NAME: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____

AGENCY EMPLOYED WITH: _____ USFS _____ BLM _____ OTHER _____

TYPE OF APPOINTMENT: _____ PERMANENT _____ TEMPORARY _____ TERM
_____ VRA _____ PWD _____ OTHER

CURRENT REGION/FOREST/DISTRICT: _____

CURRENT SERIES AND GRADE IF APPLICABLE: _____

CURRENT POSITION TITLE: _____

WHERE DID YOU HEAR ABOUT VACANCY/OUTREACH? _____

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- _____ PERSON WITH DISABILITIES (SCHEDULE A APPOINTING AUTHORITY)
- _____ VETERANS RECRUITMENT APPOINTMENT (VRA)
- _____ 30% OR MORE DISABLED VETERAN
- _____ VETERANS EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES ACT OF 1998, AS AMENDED (VEOA)
- _____ FORMER PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEER
- _____ STUDENT CAREER EXPERIENCE PROGRAM (SCEP)
- _____ OTHER _____

Submission of this form is voluntary. Thanks for your interest!