

Outreach Notice

Forestry Technician (Recreation)

GS-0462-06/07

American River, Truckee & Yuba River Ranger Districts

Tahoe National Forest

Job Details:

Title: Forestry Technician - Recreation

Series: GS-0462

Grade: GS-06/07

Respond By Date: 10/24/2014

The Tahoe National Forest will soon be advertising four Forestry Technician- Recreation, GS-0462-06/07 positions. The tour of duty will be (1) permanent full-time (26/0) position located on the Truckee Ranger District and (1) permanent full-time (26/0) position located on the Yuba River Ranger District. There will also be (2) permanent/seasonal 18/8 positions located on the American River Ranger District. These positions will operate and maintain campgrounds on their respective districts. Applicants will need to submit a copy of the Outreach Interest Form and/or resume by October 24, 2014 in order to be contacted when the positions are posted in the USAJobs Website. Barracks may be available; the rate for 2014 was \$7.45 - \$11.77 per day. Please contact the individuals listed in the outreach for more information on the availability of barracks/housing. To express interest in this position, please complete the attached voluntary Outreach Interest Form and return to Kevin McCombe at: kmccombe@fs.fed.us. These positions will be advertised in the USAJobs Website (www.usajobs.gov).

Brief Description of Duties:

The positions are located on a Forest Service unit and would serve as a principal assistant in support of the unit's developed and dispersed recreation programs.

These positions are designed to provide a career-oriented introduction to the background, philosophy, concepts, and scope of dispersed and developed recreation programs and a practical understanding of the policies of the employing organization.

Specific duties and responsibilities will include, but are not limited to: Assisting in the implementation of recreation operation and maintenance plans for developed and dispersed recreation sites; participating in the development of plans for recreation area maintenance, rehabilitation, reconstruction, and construction projects in accordance with program management objectives and policies; preparing detailed project work plans and schedules, including required personnel, equipment, and supplies; maintaining District recreation facilities such as toilets, road closure gates, hand pumps, water systems, picnic tables, fire rings, barriers, dumpsters and other miscellaneous structures; preparing annual updates of work needed and cost to bring site conditions and operation up to full standard; serving as a Collection Officer for recreation sites, collects fees, counts, reconciles money collected, and ensures deposits are made appropriately; patrolling management unit to collect use data, identify or correct unsafe conditions, answer visitor inquiries, prevent vandalism, gather current information recreation opportunities, and prevent theft of Forest resources and their destruction resulting from carelessness with fire.

Foresthill, CA

- Foresthill is a beautiful mountain community dating back to the California Gold Rush and is located 17 miles east from Auburn and Interstate 80. It is located at approximately 3100' elevation on the Foresthill Divide between the North and Middle Forks of the American River. Foresthill is surrounded on the south and west by the Auburn State Recreation Area, on the north by BLM lands, and on the east by National Forest. The American River Ranger District is distinguished with a portion of Granite Chief Wilderness, the North Fork American Wild River and Placer County Big Trees (northernmost grove of Giant Sequoias). The current population on the Foresthill Divide is approximately 6,100. The area is also known for its beauty, rafting, hiking, horseback riding, mountain bike riding, mining, and off highway vehicle activities.
- Housing: Housing in Foresthill is primarily rural flavored and home prices in Foresthill start at approximately \$165,000. Rental homes range from approximately \$600/month on up.
- Schools: An elementary (K-8) and a high school are available for students. Sierra Community College is a 35 minute commute and UC Davis and CSU Sacramento are within commuting distance.
- Additionally, there is a grocery store, daycare facilities, a post office, a hardware store, 4 restaurants, 2 gas stations, a park with softball diamonds, tennis courts and a public swimming pool.
- Auburn is the closest town with both rural and urban settings and home values range from \$200,000 to \$400,000. The town of Auburn offers additional shopping choices, restaurants, theatre and recreational activities.

Truckee, CA

Location: The Truckee Ranger District Office is located in Truckee, California on Interstate 80 approximately 35 miles west of Reno, Nevada and 15 miles north of Lake Tahoe.

Truckee, a full service community, is a wonderful place to live with exciting things to do year round. Winter brings all manner of winter sports and summer provides a wonderful place to live and work, enjoying the great outdoors, the Sierra Nevada Mountains, numerous lakes, streams, trails and places to enjoy.

Nevada City, CA

Considered one of the most desirable places to live in California, Nevada City and its companion city Grass Valley, offers the amenities of a much larger community, as well as a rural setting. Numerous medical services including a full service Hospital, a community college and several live theaters are available. Western Nevada County has a population of about 50,000 although the incorporated area of Nevada City is 3,000 and Grass Valley is 10,000+. Housing prices range from \$200,000 to \$650,000+. Apartment/House rentals range from \$800/\$1,000 and up. Pines, oaks, and maples as well as numerous reservoirs and streams surround these attractive foothill towns. The average rainfall is about 55 inches. An occasional snow occurs during the winter, but does not remain long. Summers range from 85 - 100 degrees. Within less than 30 minutes commuting distance are the communities of Colfax, Cedar Ridge, Penn Valley, Lake of the Pines and Alta Sierra. Within approximately 45 minutes commuting distance are the communities Auburn and Marysville. Truckee is approximately a 1 hour drive (in good weather) over the Sierra Crest from Nevada City. The Tahoe NF is located in the north central Sierra Nevada Range between Lake Tahoe and the Sacramento Valley. The land rises from an elevation of 1,500 feet in the Sierra foothills on the west to 9,400 feet along the rugged ridges of the Sierra Crest. Interstate 80 and

Highway 49 crisscross the Forest and offer year-round access. The forest has served as the gateway to the Pacific since the first pioneers crossed the plains in search of the riches of the California gold fields in the 1840s. This history is still much in evidence, as local communities have retained the flavor and character of their Gold Rush origins. The Forest is truly one of multiple uses. It is also a very important recreation forest. Winter skiing, kayaking, hiking, mountain biking and camping are popular local activities. Mining is still popular today with about 5,000 claims. Early day land grants to railroads have accounted for a checkerboard ownership pattern throughout most of the Forest. Although mostly owned by private timber companies, this extent of private land offers growing challenges in the form of a developing urban/rural wildland interface. Water issues are also becoming increasingly important as rivers that originate in the Forest provide water to local communities as well as the Reno and Sacramento areas.

For information about the Tahoe National Forest go to <http://fs.usda.gov/tahoe>

HOW TO APPLY: Individuals stating interest in these positions will be notified when the vacancy announcement is posted on the **USAJOBS website:** www.usajobs.gov so they can apply. **This outreach form does not constitute an application.**

For more information on the positions, please contact the following individuals:

American River Ranger District:

Mary Sullivan, 530-367-2224 extension 230 or mcsullivan@fs.fed.us – Fax: 530-367-2992
TTY users dial 711 for telecommunication relay service

Truckee Ranger District:

Jon George, 530-587-3558 jongeorge@fs.fed.us or – Fax: 530-587-6914
TTY users dial 711 for telecommunication relay service

Yuba River Ranger District:

Cecilia Reed at 530-478-6263 or cceed@fs.fed.us - Fax: - 530 288-0727
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Please respond by October 24, 2014 stating your Interest

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Applicant Name: _____
Please type or print clearly

Work Address: _____

Work Phone # _____ **E-mail** _____ **Alternate contact #** _____.

Employer:

Agency employed with: USFS ___ BLM ___ OTHER ___

Forest: _____ District: _____

Work Supervisors Name: _____ Contact number: _____

Current Working Title: _____ Present Series/Grade _____

Type of Appt. _____ Years/Seasons of Service _____ Years in grade _____

Type of appointment *if* current government employee:

_____ permanent _____ temporary _____ term _____ vra _____ pwd _____ other

IF NOT A CURRENT PERMANENT (CAREER OR CAREER CONDITIONAL) EMPLOYEE
ARE YOU ELIGIBLE TO BE HIRED UNDER ANY OF THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL
AUTHORITIES:

- _____ PERSON WITH DISABILITIES
- _____ VETERANS READJUSTMENT
- _____ DISABLED VETERANS W/30% COMPENSABLE DISABILITY
- _____ VETERANS EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES ACT OF 1998
- _____ FORMER PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEER
- _____ PATHWAYS PROGRAM
- _____ OTHER _____

Duty Location Preference: ___ Foresthill, CA ___ Truckee, CA ___ Nevada City, CA ___ All Locations

How did you learn of this vacancy? _____

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