

OUTREACH NOTICE UMATILLA NATIONAL FOREST POMEROY RANGER DISTRICT POMEROY, WASHINGTON

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October 1, 2014

## GS-460-7/9 FORESTER Permanent Full-time

The Umatilla National Forest, Pomeroy Ranger District will soon be filling a GS-460-7/9 Forester position. The position is located on the Pomeroy Ranger District, Pomeroy, WA. The position is permanent full time.

Anyone interested in further information or in receiving a copy of the vacancy announcement when it opens should complete the attached Outreach Response Form and return it to **Johnny Collin email : jcollin@fs.fed.us**) by October 31, 2014 or for more information call Johnny Collin at 509-843-4643.

**<u>ABOUT THE POSITION</u>**: This position serves as the District's Pre Sale Forester. Duties include: Reviews and analyzes the project sale folder information and conducts a preliminary field reconnaissance. Assembles the timber sales contract packages. Determines and arranges for the resources needed to complete the layout of sales. Identifies the land status and environmental constraints affecting layout of the proposed project on the ground. Compiles and analyzes field data and completes environmental assessment reports and environmental impact statements. Prepares detailed maps, timber sale appraisals, timber sales write up, advertisements, prospectus, and sample contracts for the sale. Interviews prospective purchasers and explains contract clauses, road development, and cutting practices. Oversees cruising and marking of timber and prepares general logging plans and verifies logging system settings. Determines sale boundaries, proper location of logging roads, acceptable marking and cutting methods, stumpage prices, and the requirements for brush disposal, erosion control, and stand improvement. Summarizes all records acceptable for final appraisal, sale contract preparation, and subsequent timber management activities.

## FOREST SERVICE EMPLOYEES ON THE WORKFORCE REDUCTION PLACEMENT SYSTEM LIST WILL RECEIVE PRIORITY CONSIDERATION AND CTAP/ICTAP CANDIDATES WILL RECEIVE THE APPROPRIATE CONSIDERATION

**LOCATION:** The Umatilla National Forest comprises the northern most part of the Blue Mountains of Northeast Oregon, and Southeast Washington. Surrounding lowlands are dominated by agricultural uses such as dry-land grains, peas and cattle. Pendleton, Oregon houses the Umatilla National Forest Supervisor's Office approximately 110 miles to the south of Pomeroy.

Pomeroy is the only town in Garfield County and is the County Seat. It is a full service community of approximately 1,250 residents with a hospital, care center, medical doctor and practitioner, dentist, numerous churches, one grocery store, three banks, a motel, three eating establishments, 3 card operated gas stations (2 accept cash during regular business hours), pharmacy, hardware store, building supply, several small businesses, museum, and a library. Just 30 miles to the east is the - Clarkston Washington-Lewiston Idaho hub that contains any medical and shopping needs an individual might need. There are numerous other large towns within 2 hours or less driving distance such as Spokane, Walla Walla, and Pullman, Washington and Moscow, Idaho.

The nearby mountains and rivers provide for several outdoor recreational opportunities such as camping, hunting, fishing, boating, hiking, snowmobiling, and cross-country skiing. Local recreation opportunities include a city park with a tennis court, swimming pool, and a golf course.

**EDUCATION:** The public school system in Pomeroy has very good marks for the quality of education provided in grades K-12. There are numerous colleges and universities in the surrounding area such as Walla Walla Community College (with a branch at Clarkston), Walla Walla and Whitman College in Walla Walla, Lewis and Clark State College in Lewiston, University of Idaho in Moscow, Washington State University in Pullman, and Gonzaga University, Whitworth, Eastern Washington University and Spokane Community College all surrounding Spokane.

**HOUSING:** Government housing is not available. Houses and Apartments rent from \$300-\$700 a month. Housing to purchase is available and range from \$60,000 and up.

<u>ABOUT THE POMEROY RANGER DISTRICT</u>: The Pomeroy Ranger District currently employs approximately 32 permanent employees. The District is diversified in landscapes and vegetation. It is primarily a mixed conifer forest with open hillsides of grass in the lower elevations, ponderosa pine and Douglas-fir predominating in the lower and middle elevations and grand fir, spruce and lodge pole pine in the upper elevations. The District occupies 365,901 acres, 177,465 acres of this is located inside the Wenaha-Tucannon Wilderness, it is bordered on the south by the Grande Rhonde River, to the north of Pomeroy is the Snake River.

The district supports different species of fish, engage in numerous ecosystem restoration activities, supports a small commercial timber program, maintains grazing allotments for cattle, participates in local model watersheds, maintain trails, campgrounds, roads, perform reforestation and timber stand improvement activities, maintains a strong native seed programs, implements large scale prescribed fire projects, and more.

**<u>CLIMATE</u>**: The northern part of the Blue Mountains ranges in elevation from approximately 1,300 feet in Pomeroy to 6,400 feet at Oregon Butte in Wenaha-Tucannon Wilderness. Pacific Coast weather patterns influence local climate, which extends over most of the Forest with warm/hot dry summers and cool winters. Average precipitation ranges from 14 inches in Pomeroy to 28-40 inches on the District, falling mainly from October through March. In the higher elevations this is mostly in the form of snow.

## OUTREACH RESPONSE FORM

If you are interested in this position and want to receive a copy of the Vacancy Announcement, please complete this form and send to **Johnny Collin (jcollin@fs.fed.us**) If you do not have access to electronic mail, please complete the form and mail or fax to: Pomeroy Ranger District, 71 West Main, Pomeroy, WA 99347 or fax 509-843-4621 Attention: Johnny Collin

I am interested and would like to receive a copy of the Vacancy Announcement for the following position:

Position Title/Series/Grade: Forester GS-460-7/9, PFT

Location: Region 6, Umatilla National Forest, Pomeroy Ranger District, Pomeroy, WA

PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Name:

Date:

Address:

E-Mail Address: Phone: Current title/series/grade: Are you currently a Federal employee? \_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_ NO IF YES: Current Agency and location: Type of Appointment: \_\_\_ Permanent \_\_\_\_ Term \_\_\_\_ Temporary

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

Person With Disabilities \_\_\_\_\_ Veterans Readjustment \_\_\_\_\_ Former Peace Corps Volunteer Disabled Veteran w/30% Compensable Disability \_\_\_\_\_ Student Career Experience Program Veterans Employment Opportunities Act of 1998 Other

Thank you for your interest in our vacancy.