

OUTREACH NOTICE UMATILLA NATIONAL FOREST SUPERVISOR'S OFFICE PENDLETON, OR

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April 8, 2015

GS-0460-12, Forester (Silviculture) Permanent Full Time

The Umatilla National Forest will soon be advertising a GS-0460-12 Forest silviculturist. *This vacancy will be open to anyone interested, and all are encouraged to apply*. Anyone requesting 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 David Hatfield at <u>dmhatfield@fs.fed.us</u> or Tracii Hickman <u>thickman@fs.fed.us</u> by April 24, 2015. For more information call David Hatfield at 541.278.3875 or Tracii Hickman at 541-278-3819.

This vacancy will be posted at https://www.usajobs.gov/. You may establish a profile at USA Jobs at any time.

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

THE POSITION

This position works directly for a Staff Officer in the Supervisor's Office and serves as the primary contact and program manager for silviculture on the Umatilla National Forest.

The duties of the position include program leadership such as budget and database management, expert advice on vegetation analysis and forest prescriptions, and review and mentoring to unit personnel. Coordinates integrated vegetation planning with fuels and fire ecology, wildlife, fisheries and timber to develop and implement integrated vegetation restoration. The position requires knowledge of tools used in vegetation analysis such as aerial photography, stand exams, LiDAR, and GIS. The position serves as an interdisciplinary team member and prepares reports for landscape scale and smaller projects and other planning activities. Duties also include coordination of the collection, evaluation and reporting of monitoring data in support of projects and Forest Plan monitoring.

THE FOREST

The Umatilla National Forest consists of four Ranger Districts covering approximately 1.4 million acres. The name is taken from the Indian word meaning "water rippling over sand." It is located in the beautiful Blue Mountains of northeastern Oregon and southeastern Washington adjacent to the Umatilla Indian Reservation. The Forest is an ecologically diverse landscape with mixed conifer forests and extensive open grasslands. Elevations range from 2,200' to 7,830' with warm summers and cool, snowy, wet winters. Several species of salmon inhabit the Forest, and rangeland is allotted for cattle and sheep grazing. The Forest currently employs 170 permanent employees.

Hunting and fishing make up almost 50 percent of the recreation use on the Umatilla NF. Camping, picnicking, boating, hiking and riding horseback are also popular. The Forest has a large concentration of Rocky Mountain Elk. Mule deer and whitetail deer are also abundant. The Forest is home to downhill ski areas, numerous cross country skiing trails and snowmobiling. Three designated wilderness areas lie within the forest boundaries.

PENDLETON

Located in Umatilla County, Pendleton has a population of approximately 15,000 (swells to 50,000+ during the week of the annual Pendleton Round-up in September). The city is located on I-84 and is a 3+ hour drive from Portland and 3 1/2 hours from Boise.

http://dir.yahoo.com/Regional/U_S_States/Oregon/Cities/Pendleton/

Housing

There is no Government housing available. There is good availability of apartment rentals, but rental houses are somewhat limited. There is good availability of houses for sale in a wide range of prices. If you have an interest, please check with us for more detailed information on availability and cost of housing.

Schools

There are five public elementary schools (K-5), one public middle school (6-8), and one public high school (9-12). Also located in Pendleton are Harris Junior Academy (Adventists, 1-10), Lighthouse Christian Academy (United Pentecostal, K-12), and Blue Mountain Christian Academy (1-12). Pendleton is also the home of Blue Mountain Community College.

Medical Facilities

St. Anthony's Hospital, plus a wide variety of physicians, dentists, clinics, chiropractors, etc.

Churches

There are a large number of churches in Pendleton; most denominations are represented.

Shopping

Pendleton is a full-service community with a reasonable variety of shopping opportunities. A wider range of shopping can be found in Tri-cities (Kennewick, Pasco, Richland), Washington, which is a little over an hour away via freeway.

Recreation

There many city parks, public tennis courts, fields for baseball, softball, soccer, etc. There is a municipal "Water Park" with Olympic-size swimming pool, diving pool, wading pools, and water slides. Facilities at Blue Mountain Community College, which are available to the public, including swimming, racquetball courts, exercise equipment, etc. and the Roundup Athletic Club (discounted membership fees to Forest employees) has exercise equipment, swimming, and racquetball. There are many nearby outdoors opportunities such as hunting, fishing, boating and water skiing, hiking, snow skiing, and other forest-related activities. Each September, Pendleton plays host to the world famous Pendleton Round-up, Rodeo and Happy Canyon Pageant.

Clubs and Organizations

Most civic organizations and clubs are represented.

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 David Hatfield (dmhatfield@fs.fed.us) or Tracii Hickman (thickman@fs.fed.us). If you do not have access to electronic mail, please complete the form and mail or fax to: Umatilla National Forest, 72510 Coyote Road, Pendleton, OR 97801 or fax 541-278-3974 Attention: David Hatfield by April 24, 2015.

24, 2015. I am interested and would like to receive a copy of the Vacancy Announcement for the following position: Position Title/Series/Grade: GS-0460-12 Forester (Silviculture), Permanent Full Time Location: Region 6, Umatilla National Forest, Pendleton, Oregon 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 ____ Recent Graduate___ Pathway /Intern____ Veterans Employment Opportunities Act of 1998____ Presidential Management Fellow____ Other___

Thank you for your interest in our vacancy.