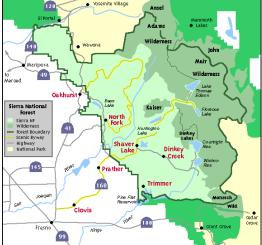
# **USDA Forest Service, Pacific Southwest Region**

## Outreach Notice, Sierra National Forest Respond by May 29, 2015



The Sierra NF is conducting outreach for the following five positions: Multi-Forest Zone Contracting Officer; Multi-District Forest Service Representative; Multi-District Small Sales Officer; High Sierra Ranger District Timber Sale Administrator and Bass Lake Ranger District Sale Preparation Officer. These positions are for permanent full-time employment. This notification is being circulated to inform prospective applicants of the potential employment opportunities and to determine the potential applicant pool for these positions. Responses to these outreach notices will be considered in the determination of the final series and grades to be advertised in the recruitment and filling of these positions. If you are interested in any of these vacancies, please complete the Outreach Form at the end of this announcement and email it with a short resume of your applicable experience to Paul Perry (pperry@fs.fed.us) by May 29, 2015 and we will notify you when the vacancy becomes available.

#### Job Details:

1) Title: Forest Timber Program Manager and Contracting Officer (CO) Series/Grade and annual salary range: GS-0460-11/12 or GS-0462-11/12; \$51,298 to \$79,936 Target Grade: GS-12 Duty Location: Supervisor's Office in Clovis, CA 2) Title: Forest Service Representative (FSR) Series/Grade and annual salary range: GS-0460-9/11 or GS-0462-10/11; \$42,399 to \$66,688 Target Grade: GS-11 Duty Location: Supervisor's Office in Clovis, CA 3) Title: Small Sales Officer (SSO) Series/Grade and annual salary range: GS-0460-5/7/9; \$27,982 to \$55,116 Target Grade: GS-9 Duty Location: Bass Lake RD Office in North Fork, CA or High Sierra RD Office in Prather, CA **4) Title:** Sale Preparation Officer (SPO) Series/Grade and annual salary range: GS-0460-7/9; \$34,662 to \$ \$55,116 Target Grade: GS-9 Duty Location: Bass Lake Ranger District Office in North Fork, CA **5) Title:** Timber Sale Administrator (TSA) Series/Grade and annual salary range: GS-0462-9/10; \$42,399 to 60,695 Target Grade: GS-10 Duty Location: High Sierra Ranger District Office in Prather, CA

#### **POSITIONS AND DUTY DESCRIPTIONS**

#### Forest Timber Program Manager and Contracting Officer:

This position reports to the Natural Resources Staff on the Sierra NF where the incumbent serves as the Timber Program Manager and Contracting Officer with responsibility for reviewing, approving, and overseeing preparation and implementation of timber sale and stewardship contracts. This is a zone position between the Sequoia National Forest and the Sierra National Forest. The incumbent is delegated authority by the Regional Forester to serve as the Timber Sale Contracting Officer for all timber sales and integrated resource timber contracts on the two forests. The position provides expertise and staff leadership for timber sale contract administration, log accountability, disputes, contract modifications, interpretations, claims, and provides direction and training for other members of the Timber Sale Administration Team. Responsibilities include supervision of the FSR and a resource specialist support position. This position will be outreached at both the GS-460-11/12 and GS-462-11/12 series and grade levels but may be filled at either series or grade level. A \$5,000 recruitment or relocation incentive may be authorized.

#### Forest Service Representative:

This position reports to the Contracting Officer on the Sierra NF where the incumbent serves as a Forest Service Representative and Contracting Officer's Representative for the administration of timber sales and stewardship contracts having complex requirements and conditions on both the Bass Lake and High Sierra Ranger Districts on the Forest. This FSR position serves as the key position in timber sale administration, serving as the coordinator between the contracting officer, sale administrator, engineering representative, timber purchaser, stewardship contractors, and resource specialist. The position works closely with the resource assistant in management of all aspects of timber sale account. The FSR will be involved with interdisciplinary teams during the NEPA process on timber sale design, layout, best management practices, markets, operability, and logging methods. The position provides expertise in timber sale contract administration, and provides direction and training for other members of the Timber Sale Administration Team. This position will be outreached at both the GS-460-9/11 and GS-462-10/11 series and grade levels but may be filled at either series or grade level.

#### Small Sales Officer:

This position reports to the District Timber Management Officer where the incumbent serves as the Small Sales Officer with assigned responsibility for the forest's small sales and salvage timber sale program on both the Bass Lake and High Sierra Ranger Districts. The incumbent performs presale and sale administration duties in the timber management program. The position develops and recommends a program, including annual and five-year plans, for small sales of timber products and for free use of forest products. These may include commercial thinning, timber settlement, timber trespass, cull logs, Christmas trees, fuelwood, posts and rails, shake and shingle bolts, greenery, shrubs and seeds, and salvage of timber damaged by disease, insects, or wind. This position will be outreached at the GS-460-5/7/9 series and grade level but may be filled at either grade level. The applicant will have a choice of duty station, either the Bass Lake or High Sierra Ranger District.

#### **Sale Preparation Officer:**

This position reports to the District Timber Management Officer on the Bass Lake Ranger District where the incumbent serves as the Sale Preparation Officer with assigned responsibility for completion of preparations required prior to offering timber for sale on the Bass Lake Ranger District. The incumbent performs presale duties in the timber management program. Position would also be responsible for compiling cruise data and helping to complete the timber sale package. Sale administration qualifications and experience would be helpful as well. Responsibilities include supervision of the Marking Crew Supervisor. This position will be outreached at the GS-460-7/9 series and grade level but may be filled at either grade level.

#### Timber Sale Administrator:

This position reports to the District Timber Management Officer on the High Sierra Ranger District where the incumbent serves as the Timber Sale Administrator with assigned responsibility to administer complicated timber sales and integrated resource timber contracts having highly complex requirements and conditions and perform other timber-related support work. This position will be outreached at the GS-462-9/10 series and grade level but may be filled at either grade level.

### ABOUT THE SIERRA NATIONAL FOREST

The Sierra National Forest lies in Central California, on the western slope of the Sierra Nevada mountain range. This 1.3 million acre National Forest is bounded on the south by the Sequoia-Kings Canyon National Park and the Giant Sequoia National Monument and on the north by Yosemite National Park. The Sierra National Forest has two districts: Bass Lake Ranger District located in North Fork; and High Sierra Ranger District, located in Prather.

The Sierra National Forest covers approximately 819,000 acres of designated wildernesses which include 5 wilderness areas: John Muir, Ansel Adams; Dinkey Lakes; Kaiser; and Monarch Wildernesses. The forest as well as connected surrounding parks and National Forests offer endless opportunities for recreation, including camping, fishing, sailing, waterskiing, white water rafting and kayaking, off highway vehicle routes, skiing, hiking, backpacking, hunting and horseback riding. High elevation lakes, streams and meadow habitats can be accessed by a network of hiking trail systems, including a portion of the Pacific Crest Trail and John Muir Trail. Recreation and work on the forest provide a unique experience of isolation and beauty. The Kings River and Merced Wild and Scenic Rivers are located in the lower elevations.

## Community and the Surrounding Area:

The Supervisor's Office is located at the base of the foothills of the Sierra National Forest in Clovis, at 1600 Tollhouse Road, Clovis, CA 93611. The population of Clovis is approximately 102,000. It is midway between San Francisco and Los Angeles tucked inside the agriculturally rich San Joaquin Valley. It is easy to find located adjacent to Fresno. There are about 40 churches in Clovis of various denominations. The Clovis Unified School District, one of the highest rated school districts in the State, offers 34 elementary schools, six intermediate schools, and eight high schools. The average cost of a home is \$230,000. Apartments can be rented from \$575 to \$1800 per month. We have 195 sunshine days, 71 partly cloudy, and 99 cloudy. Temperatures in the winter usually range from 36 low to 54 high, though few nights can get down below freezing. In the summer temperatures range from 64 to 97, with several days over 100 degrees.

Fresno is adjacent to Clovis. Its population is approximately 480,000 with a variety of amenities. The average cost of a home is \$180,000. Rental rates range from \$500 to \$1800 a month for 3-bedroom homes and from \$475 to \$1700 for 2-bedroom apartments. Its symphony, local theatre companies, music and dance productions distinguish Fresno as a city with access to a wide variety of cultural events. Fresno Unified School District is the fifth largest district in California which includes Fresno City College, 61 elementary schools, 19 secondary schools, and eight high schools. California State University, Fresno is located approximately 5 miles from Clovis.

For more information about the Sierra National Forest, North Fork, and the Clovis and Fresno areas, check these websites:

http://www.fs.fed.us/r5/sierra/ http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/North Fork, California http://www.city-data.com/city/Clovis-California.html http://www.ci.clovis.ca.us/ http://www.fresno.gov

## **Contact Information:**

If you have questions about these positions, contact Paul Perry at either <u>pperry@fs.fed.us</u> or (559) 297-0706 ext. 4952. The positions when advertised will be posted on the website, <u>www.usajobs.gov</u>.

## Sierra National Forest Outreach Response Form

Please submit this form to Paul Perry <u>pperry@fs.fed.us</u>, no later than May 29, 2015. You will be notified when the vacancy opens. When announced, the vacancy will be posted on the USAJOBS website at: <u>https://www.usajobs.gov</u>.

#### Check the position(s) you are interested in:

	GS-460-11/12, Forest Timber Program Manager and Contracting Off			
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GS-460-9/11, Forest Service Representative GS-462-10/11, Forest Service Representative				
GS-460-7/9, Sale Preparation Officer				
	GS-462-9/10, Timber Sale Administrator			

#### **Candidate Profile**

NAME:
ADDRESS:
PHONE: EMAIL:
Are you currently a Federal Employee? YESNO
If yes, current agency:
Current title/series/grade:
Duty Station Location:
Type of Appointment you are currently under: (e.g., Career, Career-Conditional, Excepted-ANILCA, Excepted VRA, etc.):
Duty Location:
Years in Grade:

If you are not currently a permanent employee, are you eligible to be hired under any of the following special authorities?

Person with Severe Disabilities	Disabled Veterans with 30% Compensable Disability or enrolled in VA training
Veterans Recruitment Act (VRA)	Peace Corp Alumni
Pathways Program (student intern, recent graduate, President Management Fellow)	Other (Specify)

#### How Did You Learn Of This Vacancy:

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