



2009 OUTREACH NOTICE
IHC Senior Firefighter
Baker River Hotshot Crew
Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest
Mt. Baker Ranger District

The Baker River Hotshot Crew is currently conducting outreach for qualified candidates to fill one to two GS-4/5 IHC Senior Firefighter positions. The position is a 13/13 Permanent Seasonal appointment and is covered under firefighter retirement. The start date for this position will be on or around April 12, 2009.

This is a career-ladder position and may be filled at either the GS-4 level or GS-5 level.

The Baker River Interagency Hotshot Crew is an established Type I, 20-person wildland fire suppression crew. The crew is based in Washington's North Cascades on 534,334-acre Mt. Baker Ranger District at the Koma Kulshan Guard Station. The station includes: bunkhouse, training, cache, shop, and weight room facilities. Koma Kulshan G.S. is located 35 miles east of the Mt. Baker Ranger District office in Sedro-Woolley, Washington. Sedro-Woolley is a full service community and is near both the Seattle and Vancouver B.C. metropolitan areas. There are also excellent outdoor recreation opportunities in the North Cascades and within the Puget Sound region.

The Baker River Crew is seeking motivated individuals with a strong work ethic and leadership experience. Applicants must be in excellent physical condition and must have hand crew experience. Applicants must at least be qualified as a Firefighter Type 1.

The Baker River Hotshot crew is typically available for dispatch to wildfire assignments between May and October. While not on fire assignments, the crew accomplishes project work assignments on the Mt. Baker District and adjacent National Forest and National Park units. These projects include prescribed burning and trail maintenance.

This is a primary firefighter position. The duties of this position require sustained, arduous physical exertion under rigorous conditions. Persons appointed will be potentially subject to physical hazards and to irregular and protracted hours of work. The health of individuals must be such that they have the capacity to meet demands for performance in the position. An initial pre-employment physical examination will be required. Failure to meet any of the required medical qualifications will be considered disqualifying for employment.

Upon employment, firefighters must then pass a physical fitness test at the arduous level in the form of the Work Capacity Test (WCT). This test requires

the firefighter to carry a 45 pound pack over a level 3 mile course in 45 minutes or less. Failure to pass the test may lead to termination of employment. Government housing may be available.

Outreach response will determine if and how the position(s) will be filled. Interested applicants should apply to the following Open Continuous Register announcement numbers at www.avuedigitalservices.com/usfs/applicant : **ADS08-FSJOBS-IHC(SRFF)-0405G** (Merit Promotion – current FS employees) and **ADS08-FSJOBS-IHC(SRFF)-0405DP** (DEMO – all applicants). The Duty Location for these positions is **Concrete, WA**. Assuming adequate outreach response is received, a referral list will be generated on or soon after February 13th, 2009

Applicants can apply to these announcements at anytime.

If you are interested in these positions, please send the attached outreach form and a resume to Kurt Ranta by February 9th, 2009 at kranta@fs.fed.us. If you do not have access to e-mail, please mail the same information to:

Mt. Baker Ranger District
Attn: Kurt Ranta
810 SR 20
Sedro Woolley, WA 98284

If you have further questions, you may contact Rob Poyner at 360 791-9149 or Kurt Ranta at the e-mail address above. Further information on the crew may be gathered at: www.fs.fed.us/r6/mbs/hotshots

OUTREACH RESPONSE FORM

Mt. Baker-Smoqualmie National Forest

Send your response form to Kurt Ranta, via e-mail, kranta@fs.fed.us, or mail to Mt. Baker R.D., Attn: Kurt Ranta, 810 SR 20 Sedro Woolley, WA 98284 by February 9th, 2009.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: _____

Position of interest: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Government Employee: Yes ___ No ___

If yes, name of Agency _____

Current Duty Location: _____

Current Position (title/series/grade): _____

If no, Current Position: _____

Current Location: _____

Name of Current Employer _____

Eligible for Other Hiring Authority (check one), such as:

30% Disabled Vet _____ Reinstatement Eligible _____ Peace

Corps _____

Handicap Authority _____ Other (describe) _____

Thank you for your interest in our vacancy.