Interior West Forest Inventory and Analysis Program Rocky Mountain Research Station USDA Forest Service

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INTEREST ANNOUNCEMENT

FORESTRY TECHNICIANS (GS-462-5 & 6)

The USDA Forest Service, Rocky Mountain Research Station's Interior West Forest Inventory and Analysis Program(http://www.fs.fed.us/rm/ogden/), headquartered in Ogden, UT, anticipates filling the following permanent-seasonal and summer-seasonal positions:

• Approximately twelve forestry technicians in support of the field inventory. These positions will be advertised in the Forestry Technician (GS-462) series at the GS 5 and 6 levels. The positions will be advertised as permanent-seasonal (at least 6 months of work per year guaranteed), and summer-seasonal (lasting about 6 months). Duties: These positions will serve as field crew members on a 2 person forest resource and health inventory crew. The work involves contacting land owners for access, locating study plots on the ground using photo baseline and GPS techniques, conducting extensive resource and health inventories including tree measurements and foliage evaluations, understory vegetation composition and structure, site characteristics, soils, etc, using various measurement instruments and electronic data recorders. Fieldwork regularly includes extensive hiking and backpacking in remote and rugged areas, often carrying heavy backpacks, and in all weather conditions. Overnight travel away from the duty station is frequent, and may include periods of extended and continuous travel.

These positions serve as members of the Interior West Forest Inventory and Analysis Program, headquartered in Ogden, Utah, which conducts forest land resource inventories and forest health monitoring activities throughout the Interior West States including Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, New Mexico, Nevada, Montana, Utah, and Wyoming. For more information about the Program, please visit our internet web site at www.fs.fed.us/rm/ogden/.

Twelve or more positions are anticipated to be filled at a variety of duty locations. Some duty stations have current vacancies to be filled; additional positions may become available at some other locations where crews are stationed. The number of positions filled and the type of appointments used is dependant upon available funding.

State	City	Expected # of vacancies	Possible vacancy?
AZ	Flagstaff	1	
CO	Gunnison	1	
ID	Challis	1	
ID	Coeur d'Alene	1	
ID	Driggs	1	
ID	Grangeville		У

ID	McCall	1+	
ID	Salmon		у
ID	Sandpoint		у
MT	Bozeman		у
MT	Dillon		у
MT	Eureka	1	
MT	Helena		у
MT	Kalispell	1+	
MT	Lewistown		у
MT	Missoula	1	
MT	Red Lodge	1	
UT	Cedar City		у
UT	Moab	1	
UT	Ogden		у
UT	Richfield	1	

Anticipated recruitment method:

The summer-seasonal positions will also be posted at www.usajobs.gov as vacancy announcement TEMP-OCR-462-5-RES, and TEMP-OCR-462-06-RES. These are Open Continuous vacancy announcements with no closing date. To find them on the Usajobs website, enter the announcement number in the 'Keyword Search'. Those that wish to be considered for these positions must apply to the vacancy announcement by February 13, 2009, at which time the Referral List for this position will be issued to the selecting official.

When advertised, the permanent-seasonal positions will be listed at www.usajobs.gov.

If you would enjoy working as part of the Rocky Mountain Research Station, we encourage you to express your interest in the position by <u>January 31, 2009</u>. For additional information, please contact Bob Rhoads at (801) 625-5685 or <u>brhoads@fs.fed.us</u>

The main purpose of this early alert is to maximize diversity of the pool of candidates. The USDA prohibits discrimination in its programs on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age, disability, political beliefs, and marital or familial status.

This outreach is for your information. If you are an education institution please post the Outreach to your Jobs Board.

Thank you for your interest in this position!

OUTREACH NOTICE FORM

Rocky Mountain Research Station

Interior West Forest Inventory and Analysis

Please complete this form and return it to Bob Rhoads by Feb 13, 2009
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Position Title/Series/Grade:					
Duty Station(s): Flagstaff, AZ; Gunnison, CO; Challis, Couer d'Alene, Driggs, Grangeville, McCall, Salmon, and Sandpoint, ID; Bozeman, Dillon, Eureka, Helena, Kalispell, Lewistown, Missoula, and Red Lodge MT; Cedar City, Moab, Ogden, and Richfield UT Please indicate all duty stations for which you wish to be considered. Not selecting any indicates no preference.					
I am interested in this position and will check					

Briefly state why you are interested in this position: