

PLUMAS NATIONAL FOREST



Mt. Hough Ranger District

ANNOUNCEMENT/OUTREACH NOTICE

The Plumas National Forest (Mt. Hough Ranger District) is currently in the process of outreach to assess interest for the following position:

Forester (Timber Sale Preparation) GS-0460-09

- These are permanent positions with duty station located in Quincy, California.
- Basic annual salary range is \$46,625 to \$60,612.
- **This notice is to fill two permanent fulltime positions.**

This outreach notice is in effect to October 30, 2009. When the outreach notice expires, you must access USAJOBS at www.usajobs.gov, for all vacancy announcement information. Attached is a voluntary outreach reply form.

Forester, GS-0460-09

Introductory Statement: This position is located on a Forest Service unit where the incumbent is responsible for the completion of preparations required prior to offering timber for sale.

Timber Sales Preparation 100%

Reviews and analyzes the project sale folder information and conducts a preliminary field reconnaissance.

Assembles the timber sales contract package. 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.

Vacancy Information

This is a pre-announcement to fill this position. The announcement for this position will be posted on the U.S. Government's official website for employment opportunities www.usajobs.opm.gov shortly after the expiration of this outreach on October 30, 2009. Applications for these positions will be processed through an online applicant assessment system.

The process for applying will take place at the following website:
www.avuedigitalservices.com/usfs/applicant.html

Outreach Response

For those desiring additional information or wish to be notified when the vacancy announcement is issued, please fill out the attached outreach form and email to jmailes@fs.fed.us or fax to 530-283-1821. For any additional information please feel free to contact Joe D. Smailes by phone, email, or by writing:

Phone:
530-283-7654 direct
530-283-0555 main office
Email: jmailes@fs.fed.us.

Write to:
Plumas National Forest
Mt. Hough Ranger District
Attn: Joe Smailes
39696 Hwy 70
Quincy, CA 95971

Area description:

The Plumas is a transition Forest ranging from the Sierra Nevada Mountains in the south to the Cascades in the north, the Sacramento Valley uplands in the west to the Great Basin high desert in the east. Fuel types range from mixed conifer fuel type to high elevation Red Fir to eastside pine. Elevations range from 3000 feet to 8000 feet. The Plumas National Forest encompasses over a million acres of tree-covered mountains, filled with hundreds of high alpine lakes and thousands of miles of clear running streams. Within an easy half day or less drive are Lake Tahoe, Reno, Sacramento, Redding, Chico, Lake Shasta, Lassen Volcanic National Park, and a vast variety of activities and opportunities. Popular activities within Plumas County and the Plumas National Forest include hiking, fishing, hunting, camping, boating and white water rafting, cross county skiing and snowmobiling.

More information about the forest can be found on the Plumas National Forest website.
www.r5.fs.fed.us/plumas/

The Forest is currently implementing the Herger-Feinstein Quincy Library Group Forest Recovery Act Pilot Project. This is a high profile, fast-paced vegetation management program. More information can be obtained from www.fs.fed.us/r5/hfqlg/index.shtml.

Community Information:

Quincy, CA:

The community of Quincy is the Plumas County seat and has a population of approximately 5,000. Quincy is located at an elevation of 3400 feet in a small mountain valley in the northeastern Sierra Nevada. Area vegetation is typically mixed conifer. Year-round county population is approximately 25,000. Local community services include: a hospital, a limited service airport, a public library, a theatre, a junior college, a high school, two public elementary schools, one private elementary school, a variety of churches, two supermarkets, a bowling alley, a public pool, a health club, and numerous restaurants and motels.

Greenville, CA:

Greenville is located in Indian Valley within Plumas County. With only eight people per square mile and just one stoplight, Plumas County offers a rural, four seasons, and mountain retreat type of setting. Indian Valley, which includes the communities of Greenville, Taylorsville, Crescent Mills and Canyon Dam, is rich in beauty and history. Surrounded by a stunning mountain backdrop, the valley is dotted with ranches, old barns and grazing cattle. The most alluring aspect of this verdant meadow is its serenity. Greenville, the largest of the communities within Indian Valley, offers a full range of business and service establishments. It has an elementary and high school. It is about 30 miles from Quincy, the County Seat.

OUTREACH INTEREST FORM

PLUMAS NATIONAL FOREST Mt. Hough Ranger District, Quincy, CA

Send this completed interest form by October 30, 2009, to Joe Smailes via e-mail at jmailes@fs.fed.us or fax it to (530)283-1821 and we can contact you to keep you updated about the job announcement or status.

We look forward to hearing from you!

GS-0460-09 Forester-Timber Sale Preparation

NAME: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____

AGENCY EMPLOYED WITH: {USFS {BLM _____ {OTHER

TYPE OF APPOINTMENT: {PERMANENT {TEMPORARY {TERM
 {VRA {PWD _____ {OTHER

CURRENT: {REGION _____ {FOREST
_____ {DISTRICT

CURRENT: _____ {SERIES _____ {GRADE

CURRENT: _____ {POSITION TITLE

HOW DID YOU FIND OUT ABOUT THIS OUTREACH NOTICE?

IF NOT A CURRENT PERMANENT (CAREER OR CAREER CONDITIONAL) EMPLOYEE
ARE YOU ELIGIBLE TO BE HIRED UNDER ANY OF THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL AUTHORITIES:

- PERSON WITH DISABILITIES
- VETERANS READJUSTMENT
- DISABLED VETERANS W/30% COMPENSABLE DISABILITY
- VETERANS EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES ACT OF 1998
- FORMER PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEER
- STUDENT CAREER EXPERIENCE PROGRAM

Thank you for your interest in our Vacancy!