



Range Technician

Boise National Forest

North Zone Range and Invasive Species Program

The Boise National Forest may be filling GS-455-04, or 05 Range Technician positions, in support of the Range and Invasive Species program. These are temporary seasonal positions starting approximately May 1, 2013, and ending approximately September 30, 2013, with a duty station of Emmett, ID and Mountain Home. The vacancy announcement number are posted on USAJOBS at www.usajobs.gov

Duties: The individual(s) will be responsible for identifying plants and monitoring upland and riparian vegetation and soil components; reading maps and using a GPS unit to map fences and water troughs/pit tanks; encounter domestic sheep and cattle on the range and identify and verify brands and other types of ownership identification tags/ear marks, as well as count livestock and document excess use and trespass; use aerial photos to interpret landforms and vegetation types; use backpack sprayers and vehicle mounted tank sprayers to treat weed infestations; operate an ATV, UTV, and 4-wheel drive vehicle; coordinate with grazing permittees when collecting field data on their allotments. The work will consist of traveling over a large area throughout the Boise National Forest (Cascade, Emmett, Idaho City and Lowman Ranger Districts). The individual(s) will need to possess a valid state driver's license and have the ability to obtain a State of Idaho Pesticide Applicators License. The work involves exposure to dust, irritant chemicals, unpredictable weather, and high noise levels. Specific safety precautions are required and the individual(s) will be required to use protective clothing. Some of the work may require camping and travel in remote areas. Hiking on uneven terrain with or without a backpack sprayer will be a regular part of the job.

Housing:

Emmett: Bunkhouse style housing may be available. Camping out may be necessary if housing isn't available while traveling to other Districts, and depending upon the location of the work. Per diem will be provided while traveling.

Mt Home: No Housing is available

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