



Pike & San Isabel National Forests
Cimarron & Comanche National Grasslands

2016 Temporary/Seasonal Positions

**USDA Forest Service
R-2 (Rocky Mountain Region)
Pike/San Isabel National Forests & Cimarron/Comanche National Grasslands**

Cimarron Ranger District – Elkhart, KS
Comanche Ranger District – La Junta and Springfield, CO
Leadville Ranger District – Leadville, CO
Pikes Peak Ranger District – Colorado Springs, Monument, and Woodland Park, CO
Salida Ranger District – Salida, CO
San Carlos Ranger District – Canon City, Rye, Westcliffe, and LaVeta, CO
South Park Ranger District – Fairplay and Lake George, CO
South Platte Ranger District – Morrison and Buffalo Creek, CO

The Pike/San Isabel National Forests & Cimarron/Comanche National Grasslands (PSICC) will be advertising and filling several temporary/seasonal positions at the above District offices. **Vacancy announcements for the various temporary/seasonal positions we will be advertising and filling will be open and available on www.USAJobs.gov based on the schedule below.** *Limited housing may be available for some locations on a first-come, first-served basis.*

Series & Grade	Position Title	Open Date	Close Date	Duty Locations	Announcement Number
GS-303-3	CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE	2/2/2016	2/8/2016	Fairplay, CO	16-TEMP-R2-0303-3CUSR-DT
GS-0326-04	OFFICE AUTOMATION CLERK	2/2/2016	2/8/2016	Salida, CO	16-TEMP-R2-0326-4OFFA-DT
GS-1001-04	VISITOR INFORMATION ASSISTANT	2/2/2016	2/8/2016	Salida, CO Fairplay, CO Morrison, CO	16-TEMP-R2-1001-4VIS-DT
GS-1001-05	VISITOR INFORMATION ASSISTANT	2/2/2016	2/8/2016	La Junta, CO	16-TEMP-R2-1001-5VIA-DT
GS-0404-03	BIOLOGICAL SCIENCE AID	2/2/2016	2/8/2016	Fairplay, CO	16-TEMP-R2-0404-3BSA-DT
GS-0404-04	BIOLOGICAL SCI TECH (WILDLIFE)	2/2/2016	2/8/2016	Fairplay, CO Morrison, CO	16-TEMP-R2-0404-4WLD-DT
GS-0404-05	BIOLOGICAL SCI TECH (WILDLIFE)	2/2/2016	2/8/2016	Fairplay, CO Morrison, CO Canon City, CO Springfield, CO Elkhart, CO	16-TEMP-R2-0404-5BSTW-DT



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GS-0462-03	FORESTRY AID (GENERAL)	2/2/2016	2/8/2016	Elkhart, KS Salida, CO Woodland Park, CO Buffalo Creek, CO Fairplay, CO Rye, CO Morrison, CO Sedalia, CO	16-TEMP-R2-0462-3FA-DT
GS-0462-04	FORESTRY TECH (RECREATION)	2/2/2016	2/8/2016	Elkhart, KS Fairplay, CO Leadville, CO Salida, CO Woodland Park, CO Morrison, CO Sedalia, CO La Junta, CO	16-TEMP-R2-0462-4FTREC-DT
GS-0462-05	FORESTRY TECH (RECREATION)	2/2/2016	2/8/2016	Fairplay, CO Salida, CO Woodland Park, CO Morrison, CO Sedalia, CO	16-TEMP-R2-0462-5REC-DT
GS-0462-06	FORESTRY TECH (RECREATION)	2/2/2016	2/8/2016	Morrison, CO	16-TEMP-R2-0462-6FTREC-DT
GS-0462-05	FORESTRY TECH (RECREATION-OHV)	2/2/2016	2/8/2016	Fairplay, CO Rye, CO	16-TEMP-R2-0462-5OHV-DT
GS-0462-06	FORESTRY TECH (RECREATION-OHV)	2/2/2016	2/8/2016	Rye, CO Sedalia, CO	16-TEMP-R2-0462-6RECO-DT
GS-0462-04	FORESTRY TECH (TRAILS)	2/2/2016	2/8/2016	Rye, CO Salida, CO Woodland Park, CO Fairplay, CO Sedalia, CO Morrison, CO	16-TEMP-R2-0462-4TRA-DT
GS-0462-05	FORESTRY TECH (TRAILS)	2/2/2016	2/8/2016	Salida, CO Woodland Park, CO Sedalia, CO Morrison, CO	16-TEMP-R2-0462-5TRA-DT
GS-0462-04	FORESTRY TECH (WILDERNESS)	2/2/2016	2/8/2016	Leadville, CO	16-TEMP-R2-0462-4FTWT-DT
GS-0462-05	FORESTRY TECH (WILDERNESS)	2/2/2016	2/8/2016	Leadville, CO Morrison, CO	16-TEMP-R2-0462-5FWT-DT



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GS-0462-04	FORESTRY TECH (TIMBER SALE PREP)	2/2/2016	2/8/2016	Buffalo Creek, CO Salida, CO	16-TEMP-R2-0462-4TIMB-DT
GS-0462-05	FORESTRY TECH (TIMBER SALE PREP)	2/2/2016	2/8/2016	Buffalo Creek, CO Salida, CO	16-TEMP-R2-0462-5TIMB-DT
GS-0462-06	FORESTRY TECH (TIMBER SALE PREP)	2/2/2016	2/8/2016	Salida, CO	16-TEMP-R2-0462-6TIMBP-DT
GS-0462-04	FORESTRY TECH (TIMBER STAND IMPROVEMENT)	2/2/2016	2/8/2016	Buffalo Creek, CO Salida, CO	16-TEMP-R2-0462-4TSI-DT
GS-0462-05	FORESTRY TECH (TIMBER STAND IMPROVEMENT)	2/2/2016	2/8/2016	Buffalo Creek, CO Salida, CO	16-TEMP-R2-0462-5FTSI-DT
GS-0455-03	RANGE AID	2/2/2016	2/8/2016	Springfield, CO Elkhart, CO	16-TEMP-R2-0455-3RA-DT
GS-0455-04	RANGE TECH	2/2/2016	2/8/2016	Canon City, CO Fairplay, CO Springfield, CO Elkhart, CO	16-TEMP-R2-0455-4RANGT-DT
GS-0455-05	RANGE TECH	2/2/2016	2/8/2016	Canon City, CO Fairplay, CO Springfield, CO Elkhart, CO	16-TEMP-R2-0455-5RANGT-DT
GS-1316-04	HYDROLOGIC TECH	2/2/2016	2/8/2016	Canon City, CO	16-TEMP-R2-1316-4HYD-DT
GS-1311-05	PHYSICAL SCIENCE TECHNICIAN	2/2/2016	2/8/2016	Fairplay, CO	16-TEMP-R2-1311-5PSTM-DT
GS-0102-05	ARCHEOLOGICAL TECH (Civil)	2/2/2016	2/8/2016	Canon City, CO Morrison, CO	16-TEMP-R2-0102-5AT-DT
GS-0102-06	ARCHEOLOGICAL TECH	2/2/2016	2/8/2016	Morrison, CO Canon City, CO	16-TEMP-R2-0102-6ARCH-DT
GS-0025-07	PARK RANGER	2/2/2016	2/8/2016	Salida, CO	16-TEMP-R2-0025-7PKRNG-DT
WG-5001-07	ANIMAL PACKER	2/2/2016	2/8/2016	Shawnee, CO	16-TEMP-R2-5001-7-PACK-DT



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Job Descriptions:

Customer Service Representative (GS-303-3)

Provide information services such as greeting visitors, answering telephones, responding to routine inquiries from a variety of customers. Assists in arranging displays of informational and natural materials in the reception area. Uses word processing software and printing equipment to create, copy, edit, store, retrieve, and print various documents. Serves as Collection Officer to sell such items as National Forest maps, Christmas tree permits, fuelwood permits, and annual passes.

Office Automation Clerk (GS-326-4)

Uses word processing software and related hardware equipment to produce a variety of correspondence, reports, office forms, and other written material in final form. Edits written material to ensure correct grammar. Greets visitors and answers telephone. Files correspondence, reports, and similar materials in manual or electronic files. Determines supplies needed for the office staff. Prepares the necessary requisition/procurement requests, and receives and distributes supplies and special order items.

Visitor Information Assistant (GS-1001-4)

This is a visitor services position. Employee must demonstrate ability to communicate with the public to disseminate information about National Forest Programs. Individual greets customers, answers the phone, and assists office personnel with computer tasks, filing, and cleaning of facilities, and is accountable for funds collected from product sales.

Visitor Information Assistant (GS-1001-5)

This position is temporary part-time, 20 hours/week. The position will conduct the Picket Wire Canyonlands Guided Auto Tours on Saturdays during May, June, September, and October, as well as help staff the front desk. The employee will interact and communicate with the public on a regular basis. Strong oral communications skills are a must, and employee will need to work independently.

Biological Science Aid (GS-0404-3)

This position is a general technical assistant performing routine tasks under a higher graded technician or professional. Position assists with technical or professional personnel in performing various routine field and/or laboratory tests employing standard biological techniques. Independently does routine repetitive tasks on experiments or tests. Must have experience with backcountry travel.



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Biological Science Technician - Wildlife (GS-0404-4/5)

Individually, as a leader, or part of a team, assignments involve constructing or completing habitat project work such as; watershed development, fencing, or clearing areas to establish food that is more desirable or cover habitat. For example, assesses habitat environments, requirements and inhabitants of wildlife; collects and accumulates data through a variety of techniques; examines information, and develops reports of results with suitable recommendations. Collects facts for development of wildlife management plans and coordination of wildlife needs for environmental analysis reports. Evaluate data and make recommendations for improvement of habitat or species. Data collection takes place in the field in sometimes remote locations. Must have experience with backcountry travel.

Forestry Aid – General (GS-0462-3)

Perform the full range of standardized forestry support duties for fire, timber, silviculture, recreation, wilderness, or research activities. Assists in one or more of the following duties: cruising timber by following specific instructions on taking and recording simple measurements and running compass lines in the field using compass and chain; noting compliance with rules and regulations on parking, campfire, sanitation, use of picnic sites, or hunting and fishing; maintaining and cleaning up recreation/wilderness areas; performing standard fire prevention, dispatch, or lookout duties; or performing various standard duties related to silviculture activities. Ability to work on OHV trail crew, and perform general maintenance duties.

Forestry Technician - Recreation (GS-0462-4/5/6)

Contact visitors to provide information about recreation regulations, opportunities, and current restrictions. Provide information on resource management practices in the area. Checks for compliance with regulations, issues notices for common violations, and reports other violations to supervisor. Assures recreation area and trails are maintained in accordance with standards. Constructs and rehabilitates minor recreation facilities and trails. Makes safety checks of public use areas and takes corrective action. Depending on grade, may direct or lead one or two lower grade employees engaged in recreation maintenance and/or contract work. OHV trails experience. ATV & chainsaw certifications, ability to become motorcycle certified, ability to operate standard transmission vehicle, work in remote settings, carry 50lb loads.

Forestry Technician – Recreation OHV (GS-0462-5/6)

The position is responsible for on-the-ground management of the Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) program and assists with administration of a variety of special use permits. The individual will assist in the development and the accomplishment of the OHV program, will patrol OHV use areas to ensure areas are operated, used and maintained in accordance with the recreation plan, and participates in the planning for recreation and wilderness area maintenance, rehabilitation, reconstruction, and construction projects. The position will implement and manage the OHV recreation program, including but not limited to, identifying and conducting maintenance and reconstruction of OHV routes. The individual will issue notices of violation when encountered and will serve as a Forest Protection Officer (FPO). The position will operate and maintain in safe working order assigned vehicles, motorcycles, ATVs and trail maintenance equipment. OHV trails experience. ATV & chainsaw certifications, ability to become motorcycle certified, ability to operate standard transmission vehicle, work in remote settings, carry 50lb loads.



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Forestry Technician - Trails (GS-0462-4/5)

Employee is a crew member or leader for duties in support of programs in recreation and wilderness management with the ability to hike long distances in a remote setting. Duties include maintaining and constructing trails, installing waterbars, livestock guards, and/or bridges, using various tools and equipment. Perform trail log, condition surveys, trail clearing, and reconstruction. Patrol trails to ensure operation, use, and maintenance in accordance with standards. Uses tools such as chain saws, crosscut saws, adze, axes, and hand tools, and may operate ATVs, UTVs, 4X4 trucks and trailers.

Forestry Technician – Wilderness (GS-0462-4/5)

Employee is a crew member or leader for duties in support of programs in recreation and wilderness management with the ability of hiking long distances in a remote setting. Duties include checking visitor use, monitoring compliance with agency rules and regulations for campfires, sanitation, camp sites, party size, etc., performs trail log, condition surveys, trail clearing. Use tools such as crosscut saws, adze, axes, and hand tools to maintain wilderness areas and trails utilizing minimal tool concept. Assists in re-establishment of native plants at denuded campsites and abandoned trails, completes water quality sampling, provides wilderness education and Leave No Trace guidance to visitors. Work would include front country trails as well as wilderness. Ability to work independently in back country settings, carry 50 lb. loads, camp out, and perform heavy trail maintenance.

Forestry Technician – Timber Sales Prep (GS-0462-4/5/6)

Takes and or records basic measurements such as compass readings, distance measurements, tree heights, tree diameters, tree growth, and determines common species. Receives training on marking trees for cutting using tools such as Spiegel Relaskop, clinometer, compass, chain, diameter tape, increment borer, electronic field data recorder, etc. Selects and marks individual trees for harvest using well defined marking guidelines, silvicultural prescriptions, and specific instruction. Estimate individual tree volume by established methods. Traverses harvest units, produces maps, designate sale areas and cutting unit boundaries on the ground. Depending on grade, may provide leadership and direction to a crew performing a variety of measurement, collection and monitoring tasks.

Forestry Tech - Timber Stand Improvement (GS-0462-4/5)

This position performs technical duties in timber stand improvement, reforestation, and tree improvement. Duties include inspecting contracts for reforestation, timber stand improvement, or genetic tree improvement work such as planting, thinning, fertilizing, release, stand exam, cone collection, site preparation, and animal damage control. Individual assists in preparation of contracts for planting, thinning, fertilization and release by performing unit traverse, map preparation, and providing data for unit examination. Examines current plantations to determine tree stocking and survival, tree species and conditions, presence of plantable areas, competing vegetation species and density, and evidence of animal, insect, or disease damage.



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Range Aid (GS-455-3)

Counts livestock as they are entering or exiting allotments, counts livestock on range allotments. Inspects allotments before and after grazing season to document vegetation utilization. Document and report unpermitted livestock on Forest Service Lands. Document and report permit violations to superiors. Assists in roundup in case of unauthorized livestock use. Provides identification tags to permittees and oversees attachments to livestock. Inspects conditions of boundary and drift fences and water developments. Checks progress of fence construction by permittees, and salt and feed locations. Serves as a crew member on range improvement construction and revegetation projects that include construction of fences, cattle guards, water developments, repairing fences, prescribed burning, seeding and fertilization. Learns to identify range plants and soil types common to local area; receives assignments which provide basic understanding in the use of aerial photos.

Range Technician (GS-0455-4/5)

The primary duties associated with this position include the inventory and treatment of noxious weeds, construction of range improvement structures (fences, water developments) and assisting with vegetation surveys. The types of tools used to complete these tasks include: maps, GPS units, cameras, weather meters, hand tools, power tools, chainsaws, backpack spray units, ATVs, UTVs, 4X4 trucks and trailers. Individuals will receive training, gain basic plant identification skills and become a certified pesticide applicator.

Hydrologic Technician (GS-1316-4)

Performs technical work in the field. Performs a variety of tasks involved in the compilation and tabulation of technical data. Works from specified data sources, assembles data from streamflow records and sediment sample records and loads on microcomputer. Utilizes computer programs provided, for uploading daily, monthly and annual sediment data for each suspended sediment station computed. Performs various tasks relative to the computation, compilation, and presentation of basic hydrologic data. Prepares stage duration and flow frequency curves for specified points or areas, working from supplied source material to tabulate stage and flow data. Tabulates rainfall data, computes "mean" rainfall for specified time periods, plots these data on prepared maps showing location of observation stations, and draws in the connecting isohyetal lines. Prepares data input of this information for computer program preparation of flood control project reports.

Physical Science Technician (GS-1311-5)

Apply various techniques and work procedures, involved with various mineral operations that may include locatable and mineral material activities, abandoned mines, and trespass structures. Provides technical support in inspecting mining operations, may include locatable and mineral material operations. Assist in ensuring that operators comply with approved plans of operations stipulations and mitigation measures. Provides technical assistance with inspections of abandoned mines; aids in identifying potential risk to public safety; assists in the mitigation of any physical hazards. Aids in the compliance with permit stipulations, abandoned property, refuse, and public health and safety. Assists with the installation and maintenance of regulatory signs. Explains rules and regulations when necessary.



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Archeological Technician (GS-0102-5/6)

Conduct inventories of Forest cultural resources in areas of proposed Forest Service projects. Researches reference materials such as State and National register files, historic documents, archeological reports, maps and aerial photos, and interviews source individuals concerning project areas. Perform on-the-ground area surveys for surface and subsurface evidence of historic and prehistoric archeological remains. Identifies and records historic and prehistoric cultural resource sites. Conducts cultural resource surveys of areas designated for various projects. Records sites and monitors affected sites during project activities. Analyzes archeological data in preparing reports, for situations where precedents are not fully applicable. Adapts ground search strategies for specific project requirements i.e., terrain, vegetation cover, and time frames. Applies scientific methods to survey parcels of land to determine likely sites of archeological interest. May serve as a crew work leader. The work may include strenuous outdoor activity, such as walking, climbing, riding (ATV), backpacking and overnight camping, often in steep, rough terrain in isolated areas in a forest environment.

Park Ranger (GS-0025-7)

Assist with the day-to-day coordination and implementation of interpretative program and other visitor services. Develops and presents on- and off-site environmental education programs for a variety of audiences. Drafts and conducts a variety of environmental education curricula and other educational products, including orientation talks, walks and demonstrations. Prepares and conducts teacher training and orientation programs. Acts as liaison with community organizations, friends groups, and other interest groups to: (a) provide orientation to programs and services; (b) stimulate interest in programs and services; and (c) discover ways to facilitate visitation to and use of the facilities. Coordinates group visits with operational personnel, communicates schedules, logistical support requirements, and other pertinent data. Assists with the implementation of a comprehensive public outreach program through written and oral communication. Drafts and prepares a variety of written materials including pamphlets, guidebooks, handouts, brochures, news releases, articles, correspondence and event flyers to increase understanding of mission, a special event, or related issues. Speaks to groups to explain the programs and policies. Responds to routine media requests for information.

Animal Packer (WG-5001-7)

This position is an assistant to the Senior Animal Packer and packs supplies and equipment to backcountry locations by horse or mule. The position is responsible for the complete care of the stock, including training, feeding, shoeing, and first aid needs. The position supports a variety of resource crews by packing on horse or mule netting, plant presses, screens, fragile survey equipment, food, tents, wheelbarrows, poles, lumber, gravel, and other materials and equipment. The individual will be responsible for selecting the proper type of pack equipment for the load and arranging animals in the proper order, building balances loads, and properly fitting equipment to livestock. Position is also responsible for ranch and pasture management including the design, building, maintenance, and safety inspections of stock facilities. Individual must be able to pull a trailer up to 24-foot in length and may spend up to 10 days at a time camping in the wilderness.



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PIKE/SAN ISABEL NATIONAL FORESTS & CIMARRON/COMANCHE NATIONAL GRASSLANDS

The Pike/San Isabel National Forests & Cimarron/Comanche National Grasslands (PSICC) is part of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service's, Rocky Mountain Region (R2) and is located in Southern Colorado. The PSICC covers just over 3 million acres and stretches from Leadville, CO to Elkhart, KS. The Supervisor's Office is headquartered in Pueblo, CO with District Offices in Leadville, Salida, Canon City, Morrison, Colorado Springs, Fairplay, Springfield, and Elkhart, KS. The area is known for outdoor activities such as hiking, fishing, skiing, camping, and biking.

CIMARRON NATIONAL GRASSLAND

242 East Highway 56, P.O. Box 300, Elkhart, KS 67950
POC: Lance Brown, (620) 697-4621 or lanbrown@fs.fed.us

The Cimarron National Grassland is located in the southwest corner of Kansas, with the District office being located in Elkhart, KS. The Cimarron National Grassland covers just over 100,000 acres of public land that is managed for multiple resources use including range, minerals, wildlife, water, fire, developed and dispersed recreation. Elkhart represents rural America and small town values are alive and well here! The community is friendly and family-oriented. The air is clean and you are guaranteed a beautiful sunrise and sunset almost every day. No traffic to worry about, everyone knows you by name and the crime rate is low. The school system is very good, with low student to teacher ratios. Many activities in the community focus on school events and there is always an activity to participate in. Housing may be available.

COMANCHE NATIONAL GRASSLAND

27204 Highway 287, P.O. Box 127, Springfield, CO 81073
POC: Jeff Stoney, (719) 523-6591 or jstoney@fs.fed.us

The Comanche National Grassland is located in southeastern Colorado, with District offices in Springfield, CO and La Junta, CO. The Comanche National Grassland covers over 440,000 acres of public land that is managed for multiple resources use including range, minerals, wildlife, water, fire, developed and dispersed recreation. The Comanche National Grassland is home to the internationally known dinosaur trackway in Picketwire Canyon, and has abundant archeological sites throughout the area. La Junta sits about 60 miles east of Pueblo, CO. The population of La Junta is approximately 7,500 and is the county seat of Otero County. Springfield is a small town of about 1,500 located in the southeastern corner of Colorado, and is the county seat of Baca County. Both the La Junta and Springfield communities rely heavily on ranching and agriculture. Housing may be available.



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LEADVILLE RANGER DISTRICT
810 Front Street, Leadville, CO 80461
POC: Tami Conner, (719) 486-0749 or tamiconner@fs.fed.us

The Leadville Ranger District is located in the San Isabel National Forest and covers both Lake and Chaffee counties. Leadville serves as the headwaters of the Arkansas River. The Leadville Ranger District is the highest ranger district in the Forest Service System with elevations ranging from 8,000 to 14,400 feet. The majority of the 289,000 acre district is above 10,000 feet and located within inventoried roadless areas or Congressionally-designated Wilderness Areas. Leadville is located approximately 100 miles west of Denver and enjoys an average high temperate during the summer of 70 degrees. Recreational opportunities abound such as hiking, climbing, camping, fishing, boating, and much more! Housing may be available.

PIKES PEAK RANGER DISTRICT
601 South Weber, Colorado Springs, CO 80903
POC: Connie Griffiths, (719) 477-4219 or cgriffiths@fs.fed.us

The Pikes Peak Ranger District is located in central Colorado with the District Office being located in Colorado Springs. The District is located on the Pike National Forest and covers roughly 230,000 acres, which are managed for multiple resources use including range, minerals, wildlife, water, fire, developed and dispersed recreation. The city of Colorado Springs is located at the base of Pikes Peak. It is the second largest city in Colorado and the 41st largest city in the United States. Colorado Springs is a full-service city and one of the fastest growing cities in Colorado. Colorado Springs is located about 70 miles south of Denver. The duty location for seasonal positions advertised in this outreach is Woodland Park. Woodland Park is nestled in the mountains about 20 miles west of Colorado Springs on Highway 24. It is a full-service town with restaurants and grocery stores, and a population of about 7,000. Woodland Park is referred to as the “City Above the Clouds” and sits at an elevation of 8,465 feet. Many festivals take place here during the summer, and recreation opportunities such as fishing, camping, biking, and hiking are nearby. Housing may be available in Woodland Park.



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SALIDA RANGER DISTRICT

5575 Cleora Road, Salida, CO 81201

POC: Jim Pitts, (719) 530-3960 or jamespitts@fs.fed.us

The Salida Ranger District covers 448,885 acres across five counties. Three wilderness areas are located on the District with a fourth area proposed on BLM land directly adjacent to National Forest and Browns Canyon. The Salida Ranger District is located in the San Isabel National Forest, and is situated within the Upper Arkansas River Basin which is located in central Colorado; about 3 hours south of Denver. The Ranger District is located in the “Home of the Fourteeners” with fourteen thousand foot peaks towering over the western side of the valley. Locally, the valley is known as the “Banana Belt” of Colorado because of the outstanding climate, including over 300 days of sunshine. Recreation opportunities abound and include premier mountain biking, skiing and snowboarding, white water rafting, hiking, climbing, fishing, riding horses, and four-wheeling along mountain roads and trails on the District.

SAN CARLOS RANGER DISTRICT

3028 East Main Street, Canon City, CO 81212

POC: Paul Crespin, (719) 269-8500 or pcrespin@fs.fed.us

The San Carlos Ranger District encompasses the south portion of the San Isabel National Forest. The District extends over an area about 50 miles wide, by 110 miles long, including about 400,000 acres of National Forest System lands in Fremont, Custer, Huerfano, Pueblo, Las Animas & Costilla Counties, including the Wet Mountains, Sangre de Cristo Mountains, and the Spanish Peaks. The District Office is located in Canon City, which is the county seat of Fremont County in Southern Colorado. Canon City is located in a mountain bowl along the Arkansas River Valley as it flows east from the Rocky Mountains. The city has a mild climate and is referred to as the “Climate Capital of Colorado” with temperatures generally 10 degrees warmer than other nearby Colorado communities. There are many tourist attractions in the area including the Royal Gorge Bridge and rafting on the Arkansas River. Canon City is the third oldest city in the State of Colorado and residents are proud of its history. Work locations for this District include Rye, LaVeta, and Westcliffe. Rye is located approximately 30 miles south of Pueblo in a rural mountain setting near the beautiful Lake Isabel. LaVeta is a small town located about 65 miles south of Pueblo near the Spanish Peaks. Westcliffe is located approximately 60 miles southwest of Pueblo in the Wet Mountain Valley. Housing may be available in Rye.



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SOUTH PARK RANGER DISTRICT
320 Highway 285, P.O. Box 219, Fairplay, CO 80440
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The South Park Ranger District office is located in Fairplay, Colorado. The district is approximately 540,000 acres in size, including two Wilderness areas (Lost Creek and Buffalo Peaks), and is located in Park and Teller counties. Elevations range from 8,000 to over 14,000 feet. The town of Fairplay is located in central Colorado in Park County, approximately 85 miles southwest of Denver and 85 miles west-northwest of Colorado Springs at the intersection of U.S. Highway 285 and Highway 9. Fairplay lies within the geographic feature of "South Park." A "park" is a relatively flat, high-elevation basin surrounded by mountain ranges on all sides. South Park covers over 900 square miles and is surrounded by the Mosquito, Park, Platte River, Kenosha, and Tarryall mountain ranges. The town sits on the edge of the Middle Fork of the South Platte River and was originally founded as a mining town in the mid-to-late-1800s with the discovery of gold and silver. Summer recreation and tourism center on multiple outdoor recreation opportunities including fishing, boating, rafting, horseback riding, backpacking, gold panning, mountain biking/hiking/climbing, and camping. Winter sports include hunting, snowshoeing, snowmobiling, ice fishing, cross-country skiing, and skiing. Housing may be available.

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The 460,000 acre South Platte Ranger District lies adjacent to southwest metropolitan Denver, outside the town limits of Morrison, CO. The District office is located just south of Tiny Town off U.S. Highway 285, six and one-half miles southwest of the intersection of US Highway 285 and C-470 in Denver. The South Platte Ranger District is located east of the Continental Divide in the central Rocky Mountains. It lies due west of the Denver Metropolitan area in Jefferson, Park, Douglas, Teller, and Clear Creek Counties. The District offers boundless recreation opportunities ranging from the serenity provided by a scenic hike along the Colorado trail or gold-medal fishing in the South Platte River to the excitement of riding a dirt bike or ATV in the Rocky Mountain regions largest motorized recreation area surrounding Rampart Range Road. These are just a sampling of recreational activities available to people of all ages and interests. Housing may be available in Buffalo Creek, about 25 miles from Morrison.