



OUTREACH NOTICE

Mark Twain National Forest

Doniphan, MO

“Caring for the Land and Serving People”



Timber Sale Administrator – GS-0462-7/8/9

Introduction

The Mark Twain National Forest will soon be advertising to fill one permanent GS-462-9 (target grade) Timber Sale Administrator position, located on the South Zone. The position will be filled on the Eleven Point Ranger District in Doniphan, Missouri. This position will have duties directly related to timber sale administration for the South Zone vegetation management program. The South Zone consists of both the Eleven Point and Poplar Bluff Ranger Districts. This notification is being circulated to inform prospective applicants of this upcoming opportunity.

Please respond to this outreach/announcement by **June 30, 2016**. For more information about this position, interested applicants are encouraged to contact Clifford Smith by phone at 573-785-1475 or email cliffordsmith@fs.fed.us.

How to Apply

Interested candidates are encouraged to obtain a USA Jobs profile and prepare their resume in that format. The vacancy will be advertised at USA Jobs (www.usajobs.gov) as an individual announcement. Individuals responding to this outreach will be personally notified when the vacancy is formally announced on USA Jobs.

FOREST SERVICE EMPLOYEES ON THE WORKFORCE REDUCTION AND PLACEMENT LIST WILL RECEIVE PRIORITY CONSIDERATION AND CTAP/ICTAP CANDIDATES WILL RECEIVE THE APPROPRIATE CONSIDERATION.

Major Duties

Reviews the contract and related pre-sale data such as preliminary logging plan, environment assessment report, appraisal, etc. Determines that all prerequisites to contract work are taken care of such as, but not limited to, advance deposits, delegations of authority, road construction and timber cutting coordination, improvement locations, operating schedule, logging plan preparation, scaling arrangements, and environmental protection measures. Reviews plans and schedules with purchasers to assure common understanding of conditions and responsibilities.

Develops a schedule and plan for continuing field inspection and control of purchaser's operations such as falling, skidding and yarding, loading, and hauling. Determines whether utilization, slash disposal, and erosion control are adequate. Documents all findings for the sale record. Takes appropriate action to correct deficiencies, and assesses penalties when needed. Insures that stream courses and other land features are protected.

Advises purchaser's field representative of adequacy or inadequacy of operations and achieves compliance with contract terms, including safety and employment requirements.

Determines when log hauling may be allowed on system roads under construction, agreements, and monthly reports of progress.

Initiates requests for payment, bond changes, or cooperative work. Reviews timber sale statements or account and maintains controls to insure that all payments and deposits are made.

Coordinates sale administration duties with other unit timber and related activities. Keeps supervisor informed of major problems.

Insures that all contractual obligations are met before making final inspection and recommending sale closure.

As personnel are available and as workload requires, trains and provides work direction to one or two harvest inspectors who perform limited phases of sale administration. The incumbent cooperates in developing and carrying out affirmative action efforts in the unit.

The Organization

The Mark Twain National Forest is made up of six ranger districts, mainly located in the southern half of the state. The Forest Supervisor's Office is located in Rolla, Missouri. The Mark Twain National Forest contains approximately 1.5 million acres, comprised mainly of upland hardwoods and associated shortleaf pine. A full range of vegetation and recreation management activities on the forest include timber harvest and regeneration activities, TSI, prescribed fire, developed and dispersed recreation, and mining.

For more about the Mark Twain National Forest visit: <http://www.fs.usda.gov/mtnf> (public website) or <http://fsweb.marktwain.r9.fs.fed.us> (internal USFS website).

The Communities

The Eleven Point District consists of approximately 360,000 acres of pine and oak/hickory forest and has the most contiguous National Forest ownership in Missouri. Within the district boundaries are the Eleven Point National Scenic River; the Irish Wilderness, the largest wilderness in Missouri, encompassing 16,600 acres; the Ozark Trail; Greer Spring, the largest spring in the National Forest System; numerous caves and many other features of local, regional and national significance. Active programs include: vegetation management, fire application and suppression, recreation, trails, wild and scenic river management and wilderness.

The district manages recreation areas on the Current and Eleven Point Rivers. The Eleven Point National Scenic River includes a 5 ½ mile Wild Trout Management Area between Greer Spring Branch and Turner Mill. The District contains four managed lakes, ponds, trails and numerous springs and caves. The terrain is formed by a rugged karst environment, an area of irregular limestone in which erosion has produced fissures, sinkholes, underground streams, and caverns. Sinkholes, such as those that formed Cupola Pond and Tupelo Gum Pond, have resulted in designation of these areas as Missouri Natural Areas, because of their uniqueness. Recreation on the District is primarily hunting/fishing, tubing, canoeing, horseback riding and hiking.

The Poplar Bluff District is about 159,000 acres of pine and oak/hickory forest, with spectacular fall color. The district contains a trophy small-mouth bass stream, two managed lakes, three fishing rivers and two spring walk-in turkey hunting areas. The Poplar Bluff District contains portions of the Ozark foothills, but the eastern portion of the District is less rugged with some Mississippi Delta-like soils and conditions (elev. 300-800 feet). This combination leads to a variety of ecological settings. The Mud Creek Natural Area displays a complete ecological regime from dry upland oak/hickory forest to wet bottomland hardwood forest. The district manages two recreation areas: Markham Springs located on

the Black River and Pinewoods Lake. There are many opportunities for professional growth and positive involvement with public and private organizations.

The district is located between two large Corps of Engineer projects, Wappapello Lake to the east and Clearwater Lake to the west. A national recreation trail, The Ozark Trail, meanders across the district. Dispersed recreation use is primarily hunting/fishing, horseback riding, mountain biking and hiking. The timber program seeks to balance the age classes/size classes within several management areas. The wildlife program is focusing on learning more about rare species, managing small openings, improving wildlife habitat, and ecosystem restoration. We are very involved in the National Fire Plan. We have an urban interface with growing communities and intermingled ownership patterns. We are developing a strong prescribed fire program and investigating methods of accomplishing multiple goals through the use of prescribed fire. We use prescribed fire to enhance natural vegetative communities, reduce fuel loads and improve wildlife habitat.

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OUTREACH RESPONSE FORM

Please respond by June 30, 2016

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Position Identification

Position Title: Timber Sale Administrator

Series/Grade: GS-0462-9

Location: Eleven Point Ranger District, Doniphan, MO

Applicant Information

Name:

E-Mail Address:

Current Title, Series, Grade:

Current Organization/Location:

Current Appointment: Permanent Temporary Term Not Current Employee

If you are NOT a current permanent (career or career conditional) employee, are you eligible to be hired under any of the following authorities:

- Reinstatement Disabled Veteran with 30% Compensable Disability
 Veteran's Employment Opportunities Act of 1998 Person With Disabilities
 Former Peace Corps Volunteer Demonstration Project (external recruitment from the general public)
Other

Position Interest

I would like to be considered for this position in the series identified:

- Series currently identified and classified
 Other appropriate series for which I am qualified

I would like to be considered for this position at the grade level identified:

- Target grade level currently identified. (GS-9)
 Other grade level for which I am qualified (below target grade)

I wish to be considered for this position(s) as:

- Permanent Assignment (lateral/promotion/change to lower grade)
 NTE 1 Year Detail or Promotion opportunity
 Term Appointment

I would consider the position at this duty station location:

- Doniphan, MO

Applicants May Use This Space to Identify Special Qualifications, Interests, Needs or Provide Other Information:

How did you hear about this position?

Please send this completed form to cliffordsmith@fs.fed.us or fax 573-785-0267 with attention to Clifford Smith. Thank you for your interest in our vacancy.