

# Olympic National Forest Outreach Notice

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*GS-0303-04, Customer Service Representative  
Pacific Ranger District, Forks, WA or Quinault, WA  
Respond by September 16, 2016  
[www.fs.usda.gov/olympic](http://www.fs.usda.gov/olympic)*

The Pacific Ranger District of the Olympic National Forest is seeking to fill a GS-0303-04 position which will serve as a Customer Service Representative. The position will either be located in Forks, WA or Quinault, WA. The purpose of this outreach notice is to (1) gauge interest in the position, (2) to alert interested individuals of this potential upcoming employment opportunity, and (3) to identify which duty station will be used to advertise the position.

The primary duties are to provide customer services such as greeting visitors, answering telephones, selling National Forest maps, permits and passes as well as providing overall administrative support to staff. This is a permanent part time position located either in Quinault, WA or Forks, WA. Some local travel may be required for the position.

**Interested parties should complete the attached Outreach Response Form and return it to [dmillett@fs.fed.us](mailto:dmillett@fs.fed.us). Any questions regarding the position can be directed towards Dean Millett, District Ranger @ (360) 374-1222 or [dmillett@fs.fed.us](mailto:dmillett@fs.fed.us).**

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## The Forest

The Olympic National Forest covers over 632,000 acres on the Olympic Peninsula in the northwest corner of Washington State. The Forest is divided into two Ranger Districts with the Pacific Ranger District offices located in Forks and Quinault, Washington and covering the land on the west side of the Peninsula. The Hood Canal District Ranger District is located on the east side of the Peninsula, along Hood Canal, with the District Office in Quilcene, Washington.

The Olympic Peninsula is a unique geophysical providence surrounded on three sides by saltwater. U.S. Highway 101 is the main travel route paralleling the Pacific Coast on the west, Strait of Juan de Fuca on the north, and inland waters of Puget Sound on the east. This 6,500 square mile area is an association of complex, winding ridges, rugged and precipitous mountains, deep canyons, and tree covered slopes.

The Olympic Peninsula has an incredible variety of environments within short distances. Within less than 50 miles between Mt. Olympus and the Pacific Ocean, the vegetation changes from the lush, temperate rain forests of the Hoh, Queets, and Quinault Valleys to an arctic environment of lichens and mosses above 7,000 feet. Heaviest precipitation occurs in the fall, reaching a peak in December and then decreasing in spring. Winter snowfall on the Peninsula ranges from 10 inches in the lower valleys to greater than 250 inches in the higher mountains. Summers are relatively dry, with warmer temperatures averaging near 70 degrees.

The combination of abundant rainfall, steep dissected landscapes, and a past legacy of intensive timber harvest and road building create numerous resource management challenges and opportunities. The Olympic National Forest is focused on restoration. We have a large and aggressive program and the Forest is recognized as one of the leaders in the Region for road decommissioning and stabilization projects.



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## Community Information

Quinalt is small unincorporated community located in Grays Harbor County. The area provides a wide variety of recreational opportunities. The Forest Service maintains an office and visitor center. The visitor center is operated as a Service First facility with Olympic National Park. This center serves approximately 22,000 visitors annually. The valley receives approximately 144 inches of rain a year and is the home of some of the largest trees in the world. Hiking, camping, swimming, boating, and fishing opportunities are all within a quarter mile of the office. The Colonel Bob Wilderness and its trail system is also nearby.

Two other small similar communities (Neilton and Amanda Park) are located nearby. Housing for purchase or rent is very limited in the immediate area, but more plentiful in Aberdeen or Hoquiam. Services in the immediate local area include; a K-12 school, three lodges/motels, three restaurants/cafes, two gas stations, a library, a mercantile, a Catholic Church and a community church. Most other services are available in Aberdeen/Hoquiam located 40 miles to the south. Public transportation is available between Aberdeen/ Hoquiam and Quinalt. Other primary employers in the area are the Lake Quinalt Lodge and the Lake Quinalt School.

For more information visit <http://www.graysharbor.org> and <http://www.visitgraysharbor.com/>

Forks is a community with a population of approximately 3,500 and located on the west end of Clallam County. Forks is a full service community with numerous restraints, a supermarket, and clinics and a hospital. There is a K-12 school system along with a branch of Peninsula Community College. Other amenities include a library, 2 banks, drug store, and several churches. Housing is available for purchase or rent in the City of Forks or surrounding area.

Recreation opportunities are also plentifully around Forks with rivers, hiking and the ocean all nearby. Forks is also the setting for the Twilight book series which attracts many visitor annually.

For more information about the Forks area visit <http://forkswa.com/>

The state of Washington does have a 6.5% sales tax and county/city sales tax of about 2%, but no income tax. The vacancy announcement for this position will be posted at the US Government's official site for jobs and employment information: <http://www.usajobs.opm.gov>

AVAILABILITY OF GOVERNMENT HOUSING: Government housing is not available.

See outreach form below.

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<b>Name:</b>	
<b>E-Mail Address:</b>	
<b>Mailing Address:</b>	
<b>Telephone Number:</b>	
<b>If current Federal employee, type of appointment:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Permanent <input type="checkbox"/> Temporary <input type="checkbox"/> Term <input type="checkbox"/> Other
<b>Current Position Title, Series, Grade:</b>	

If not a current permanent (career or career conditional) employee, are you eligible to be hired under any of the following special employment authorities?

- PERSON WITH DISABILITIES
- VETERANS READJUSTMENT
- 30% COMPENSABLE VETERAN
- VETERANS EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES ACT OF 1998
- FORMER PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEER
- PATHWAYS PROGRAM CONVERSION
- OTHER (please identify) \_\_\_\_\_

**Please send your completed form and optional brief resume describing your skills, experience, and why you would like to work on the Pacific Ranger District to Dean Millett, District Ranger at [dmillett@fs.fed.us](mailto:dmillett@fs.fed.us).**

*The Olympic National Forest is an equal opportunity employer.*