



Boise National Forest Outreach Notice Temporary Fire Positions Summer 2021



Application Period: October 16 – October 26, 2020

Vacant positions may be available in Boise, Garden Valley, Mountain Home, Idaho City, Cascade and Lowman, Idaho

Applications are accepted only through [USAJOBS](#) once the announcement numbers are posted.

The Boise National Forest is filling **TEMPORARY SEASONAL** fire positions. Positions that may be available include engine crew, hand crew, hotshot crew, helitack and lookout.

This outreach is for GS-0462-03 through GS-0462-05 temporary seasonal fire positions. The vacancy announcements for these positions will be posted on the U.S. Government's official website for employment opportunities: **USAJOBS**. These are regional vacancy announcements with a specific opening and closing date. The vacancy announcements will be open for applications on October 16, 2020. Those who wish to be considered for these positions in the Temporary Fire Hire event must apply to the vacancy announcements by the closing date of October 26, 2020.

Applicants WILL NOT be able to submit their applications in USAJOBS until the opening date of the positions.

This event will be conducted utilizing the Direct Hire Authority, which has been granted by OPM for the Forest Service to fill critical positions in an accelerated manner.

Carefully read the entire vacancy announcement. Follow the instructions on how to apply and submit needed documentation. Incomplete applications may result in not being referred for consideration.

Applicants can establish a personal profile on USAJOBS and are encouraged to do that before jobs are posted. Job updates can also be requested at any time. Be sure to indicate the duty location, (i.e., the city) as the location for consideration when applying. In some cases, a duty station may be in a remote location, different from the city. **Applicants will be limited to selecting 10 duty locations maximum**, so make sure you are willing to accept a position at any of the duty locations you select should you be offered a position.

Virtually all the positions require physical exertion in rough terrain. The work is performed outdoors in all weather conditions including summer heat, rain or even snow. Housing may be available.

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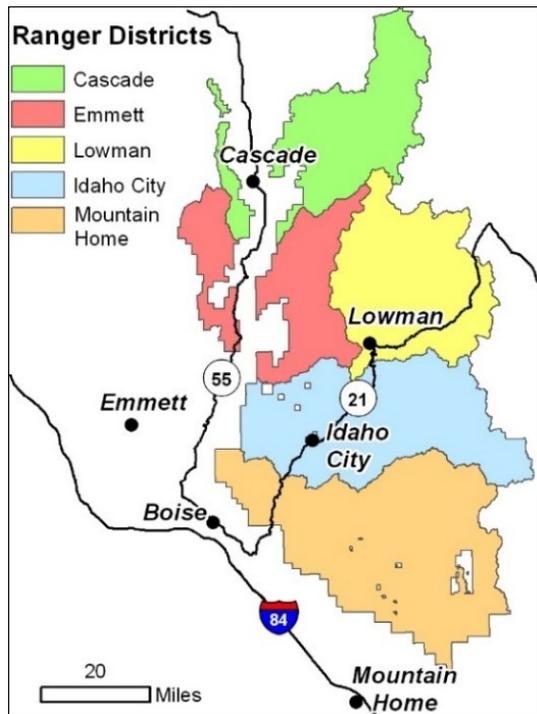
Position Title:	Announcement Number(s)	Duty Locations		Series and Grade
		Boise Mt. Home Idaho City	Cascade Lowman Garden Valley	
Forestry Technician (Helitack)	21-TEMPF3-R4-0199-4DH	Mt. Home Garden Valley		GS-0462-04
Forestry Technician (Helitack)	21-TEMPF3-R4-0200-5DH	Mt. Home Garden Valley		GS-0462-05
Forestry Technician (Fire Suppression)	21-TEMPF3-R4-3868-4DH	Boise Mt. Home Idaho City Lowman Garden Valley Cascade		GS-0462-04
Forestry Technician (Fire Suppression)	21-TEMPF3-R4-3869-5DH	Boise Idaho City		GS-0462-05
Forestry Technician (Hotshot/Handcrew)	21-TEMPF3-R4-2037-5DH	Idaho City Garden Valley		GS-0462-05
Forestry Aid (Firefighter)	21-TEMPF3-R4-3867-3DH	Boise Mt. Home Idaho City Lowman Garden Valley Cascade		GS-0462-03
Forestry Technician (Lookout)	21-TEMPF3-R4-2856-4DH	Mt. Home Idaho City Lowman Garden Valley Cascade		GS-0462-04
Forestry Technician (Lookout)	21-TEMPF3-R4-3451-5DH	Mt. Home Idaho City Lowman Garden Valley Cascade		GS-0462-05
Forestry Technician (Air Tanker Base)	21-TEMPF3-R4-3951-5DH	Boise		GS-0462-05
Forestry Technician (Air Tanker Base)	21-TEMPF3-R4-3033-6DH	Boise		GS-0462-06

For additional information contact a Supervisor listed below:

RESOURCE TYPE	SUPERVISOR	PHONE	DUTY LOCATIONS
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Crew 41 (Wildland Fire Module)	Rory Anderton rory.anderton@usda.gov	208-382-7449	Cascade
Crew 5	Chris Knight christopher.knight@usda.gov	208-259-3361 x7540	Lowman
Crew 8	Blake Abbott blake.abbott@usda.gov	208-960-2578	Boise
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Engine 441	James Brown james.brown2@usda.gov	208-382-7443	Cascade
Engine 451	Colter Stewart colter.stewart@usda.gov	208-259-3361 x7565	Lowman
Engine 461	Bryce Alexander bryce.alexander@usda.gov	208-462-3241 x7908	Garden Valley
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Additional Contact Information by Unit:

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Lowman Ranger District	Colin Good (FMO)	208-259-3361 x7561	colin.good@usda.gov
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Boise Wildland Fire Academy	Mike Towers (FMO)	541-848-8431	michael.towers@usda.gov
Boise Air Tanker Base	Doug Marolf (FAO)	208-634-3948	doug.marolf@usda.gov



Additional information about the Boise National Forest and surrounding area can be found at:
<https://www.fs.usda.gov/main/boise/home>

A scenic photograph of a meadow filled with colorful wildflowers in the foreground, with a large lake and forested mountains in the background under a blue sky with light clouds.



About the Forest:

The Boise National Forest is approximately 2,612,000 acres. Elevations vary greatly, from 2,800 feet in the North Fork Payette River Canyon to nearly 10,000 feet atop Steel Mountain. This wide range of elevations across 2 million acres encompasses a great diversity of geologic features. Geologically the Forest is dominated by granitic rock, with inclusions of basalts to the west, and volcanic rock to the south.

Major mountain ranges include the Boise, Salmon River and West Mountain ranges featuring steep slopes of coarse-textured soils that readily take in and transmit water. Unless these soils are disturbed, surface run-off is rare except during high intensity storms or rain-on-snow events.

The Forest has an estimated 9,600 miles of perennial and intermittent streams, and 15,400 acres of lakes and reservoirs. Major river systems on the Forest are the Salmon, Payette and Boise. There are an estimated 28 species of fish found on the Forest; this includes 11 species that are not native or are introduced into areas they historically did not occur.

Federally Listed species on the Forest include Chinook salmon, steelhead trout, and bull trout. There is designated critical habitat on the Forest for these species. Other native species of concern include redband trout and westslope cutthroat trout.

Most of the land supports an evergreen forest that includes pure or mixed stands of ponderosa pine, grand fir, Douglas fir, Engelmann spruce, lodgepole pine and subalpine fir.

The Forest contains large numbers of big game species, such as mule deer and Rocky Mountain elk. The average annual precipitation ranges from 15 inches at lower elevations to 70 inches at higher elevations.

Approximately 76 percent of the Forest's lands are considered forested and about 23 percent are considered non-forested or dominated by grass, forb, shrub, or brush species. Much of the non-forested habitat is found at lower elevations or on the more southern latitudes, southern aspects.

Habitat restoration, both aquatic and terrestrial is an emphasis of our 2010 Forest Plan, influencing the development and implementation of many projects. Recreation, grazing, mining and a diversity of special uses occur on the Forest.



About the Communities:

Boise, Idaho

Boise is a full-service community. The Boise metropolitan area's economy is strong with many dual career opportunities, including a wide variety of federal agencies within easy driving distance, and many private sector job opportunities. The cost of living is slightly below the national average, though real estate has been steadily increasing in the last few years. There are several institutions of higher learning in the area, including Boise State University. Health care facilities and churches are widely available. Entertainment opportunities abound in Boise and the metropolitan area, with a wide array of restaurants, dinner theaters, museums and sports-and-music venues.

Mountain Home, Idaho

The Mountain Home Ranger District office is located in Mountain Home, ID, approximately 45 miles east of Boise along Interstate 84. Mountain Home is a full-service community supporting the outlying area and the Mountain Home Air Force Base. Summer and fall months are typically warm and dry, with daily highs averaging between 85 to 95 degrees, and nightly lows from 40 to 55 degrees. The climate in the winter is typical of the high desert, with low temperatures averaging between 20 and 30 degrees with occasional subzero overnight readings.

Idaho City, Idaho

Located 40 miles to the east of Boise, Idaho City is a quaint, historic mountain community of approximately 400. Idaho City is the county seat of Boise County with tourism and timber as the primary industries. Idaho City is not a full service community, but does offer the following services on a year-round basis: one small grocery store and many small shops along Main Street with preserved historic buildings from the mining era of the 1860s. Boise offers the services and amenities of the largest city in Idaho. Many District employees commute from Boise daily. The population of Boise is approximately 170,000, with an additional 230,000 in the surrounding metropolitan area. An international airport, shopping, colleges and universities, and a variety of cultural and sporting events are readily accessible and available.

Cascade, Idaho

The Cascade Ranger District is the northernmost District on the Boise National Forest. Encompassing over 400,000 acres, the District offers a diverse resource management program including recreation, wildlife, fisheries, forest and range management, and watershed management. The small town of Cascade is nestled in the mountains of central Idaho approximately 75 miles north of Boise on Highway 55. It is located in Long Valley between the North Fork of the Payette River (known for its world-class kayaking) and Cascade Lake (one of the top fisheries in Idaho). The Cascade Ranger District offers abundant and diverse year-round outdoor sports and recreation opportunities. Duty stations may include Cascade Ranger Station or a remote station at Landmark 25 miles east of Cascade.

Lowman, Idaho

Located 75 miles north of the Idaho state capital in Boise, is a small mountain community that has grown up along 12 miles of the South Fork of the Payette River. Duty stations may include the ranger district office or a remote station at Elk Creek in Bear Valley. Recreation opportunities abound. Depending on the season, you may camp, hike, ride for miles on horseback, bike, motorcycle or all-terrain vehicle on beautiful trails; fish, hunt, cross-country ski or snowmobile. The South Fork of the Payette River is considered one of the premier kayaking and rafting waters in the country and the district shares borders with both the Sawtooth SNRA and the Frank Church River of No return Wilderness. After a hard day of work or play there are numerous hot springs to soak in. Approximately 200 year-round residents live in the community and the summer population swells with visitors.

Emmett, Idaho

Emmett, Idaho is a full-service community located in Southwest Idaho along the Payette River at the junction of Idaho Highways 16 and 52. The city has a population of about 5,500 and is the seat of Gem County (population 16,000). Duty stations may include the Emmett District Office or the Garden Valley Ranger Station. Smaller towns nearby in Gem County are Letha, Sweet and Ola. Boise, in Ada County, is about 35 miles southeast of Emmett. Emmett sits at 2,373 feet in elevation and enjoys a four-season climate. Average July maximum temperature is 95 F, and January's average low is 16 F. Average annual precipitation is 13.26 inches. The elevation of Gem county ranges from 2,260 feet to 7,865 feet, with cooler summers and snowy winter weather at the higher elevations. Some rentals are available in Emmett. The real estate market offers older and newer homes for sale as well as vacant land from city size lots to large acreages available. A full range of housing choices is also available in the Greater Boise area.

Garden Valley, Idaho

Garden Valley is located within the Emmett Ranger District and is nestled between the confluence of the Middle Fork Payette River and South Fork Payette River surrounded by mountains covered with pine, fir, aspen, alder and other varieties of trees and shrubs. The valley has two small settlements, Crouch and Garden Valley. The entire population of the area is approximately 2000. The elevation is approximately 3,800 feet, there are four distinct seasons. It is 52 miles from Boise (Idaho's capital) an approximate one-hour drive on two lane paved highway.

There is a medical clinic with a full-time physician to handle most checkups, minor injuries or illness. In case of emergency, there is a life flight helicopter pad at the clinic and ambulance service as well. The school covers grades kindergarten through 12 and a preschool for special education programs. There are two mercantile stores that carry food items, camping, fishing and hunting supplies, a hardware store, several restaurants and a post office. There is a credit union in GV. Government housing may be available.

Websites for Boise and Surrounding Areas:

www.boisechamber.org/

<https://cascadeid.us/>

www.cityofnampa.us/

<https://gvchamber.org/>

www.mountain-home.us/

<https://idahocitychamber.org/index.html>

www.cityofboise.org/

www.emmettidaho.com/



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