Job Announcement
Utah Conservation Corps & USFS Ashley National Forest
Range Crewmember

Apply by: April 19, 2021 (or until filled up to May 1, 2021)

Position Locations:
- 355 North Vernal Avenue, Vernal UT  84078
- 25 West Hwy 43, PO Box 279, Manila, UT 84046

The Utah Conservation Corps (UCC) in partnership with the Ashley National Forest is advertising Range Crewmembers. This is a 3 to 4 month (up to 16 weeks) full-time work experience from approximately mid-May through August/mid-September 2021. The Utah Conservation Corps is Utah's award-winning, and nationally recognized statewide Conservation Corps headquartered in Logan, Utah at Utah State University's main campus. The UCC has been Utah's largest environmental AmeriCorps program since 2001, completing service work on public lands, in communities, and with various organizations throughout the state. UCC will recruit and hire the selected candidate providing personnel and Human Resources (HR) needs during the placement. https://ucc.usu.edu/

If you have questions about the Range Crewmember positions, please contact

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or Amber O'Quinn of the Utah Conservation Corps, amber.oquinn@usu.edu, 206-554-1270.

Positions
The positions will be located as follows:

One (1) position – Vernal, Utah
Two (2) positions – Manila, Utah

The Range Crewmember positions will be part of an invasive weeds and vegetation monitoring crew. This position will require a pesticide applicators license which will be obtained at the beginning of the field season. Range crewmembers will be spraying noxious weeds and monitoring vegetation in remote locations of the district. Worked performed will be with the use of ATV/UTV or truck. Other duties may include assisting Rangeland Management Specialists with range improvement projects, vegetation monitoring and rangeland management activities. The anticipated start date is mid-May, 2021 with an expected end of season date of August/mid-September 2021. The position will work four days a week, 10 hours a day for a 40-hour week.
Housing: Seasonal government housing is not available.

Program Benefits

- $15.10/hour along with health care coverage (if needed), workers compensation, and FICA/Medicare.

Position Requirements

- Must be 18 and have a valid driver's license and good driving record. Drive government vehicle as required for position.
- Must successfully pass a fingerprint criminal history background check.
- U.S. citizen, national or lawful permanent resident.
- Regular and reliable attendance and dependability.
- Strongly prefer experience in working outdoors
- Prefer experience with atvs or utvs
- Excellent written and oral communication skills
- An independent, self-motivated, creative, and resourceful individual able to work with diverse groups of people.
- A cooperative manner and the ability to serve as part of a team, but the ability to work independently.
- Ability to commit to the full term of service.

The Ashley National Forest

http://www.fs.fed.us/r4/ashley/

The Ashley National Forest encompasses about a million and a half acres in northeastern Utah and southwestern Wyoming. The Forest lies in three geographical areas: the east-west range of the Uinta Mountains, the Green River Basin, and the Tavaputs Plateau. Elevations range from 6,000 feet to 13,528 feet.

Steep canyons, high mountain peaks, glaciated basins, large open meadows, and desert badlands produce a rich diversity of vegetation and wildlife. The grasses and shrubs of the high mountain desert are replaced by pinyon and juniper as the elevation rises. In mid-elevation areas, aspen dominates and becomes mixed with conifer. Higher up, the vegetation changes to conifer forest composed of ponderosa pine, lodgepole pine, fir, and spruce. Wildlife is abundant. Larger species include black bear, mountain lion, moose, elk, mule deer, pronghorn, mountain goats, and bighorn sheep.

Neighboring lands include the Uinta and Ouray Indian Reservation to the south, the Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest to the west and north, and a mixture of Bureau of Land Management, State of Utah, and private lands to the east and southeast. Compared with other National Forests, relatively few small tracts of private land lie within the Ashley's boundary.

The High Uintas Wilderness, established by Congress in 1984, comprises nearly one-half million acres in the Uinta-Wasatch-Cache and Ashley National Forests. Within the wilderness, elevations range from 8,000 feet to 13,582 feet at the top of Kings Peak, the highest mountain in Utah. The Uinta Mountain range runs east to west, from the Wasatch Mountains into Colorado. Pre-Cambrian rock formed from sediments laid down 600 million years ago makes up the core of the range. Glacial activity carved deep canyons and left a spectacular landscape of rolling, treeless peaks and stratified ridges interspersed with broad meadows and numerous lakes.

The Flaming Gorge National Recreation Area lies in the northeast part of the Forest. Flaming Gorge Reservoir extends almost 90 miles into Wyoming and offers outstanding fishing and boating opportunities. Record-breaking German brown trout and large lake and rainbow trout have been taken from its waters. The Flaming Gorge National Recreation Area has three marinas and many campgrounds, some of which are open year-round.
The Green River below Flaming Gorge Dam is a world-famous blue-ribbon trout stream. The Little Hole National Recreation Trail parallels the river 7.3 miles from the Dam to the Little Hole Recreation Complex.

About Vernal, Utah

Vernal has a population of approximately 8,000 people and the surrounding Uintah Basin population is approximately 20,000 according to 2000 census bureau data. The Uintah Basin is greatly influenced by the oil and gas industry, which is in the middle of a job boom, so the population numbers have noticeably increased over the past 6 years. Vernal is situated in northeast Utah about 35 minutes from the Colorado border (and Dinosaur National Monument) and 1.5 hours south of the Wyoming border. Flaming Gorge National Recreation Area on the Ashley National Forest is a neighboring district that is a good reference point for locating the area since it is easily discernable on most maps. Vernal is approximately 2 hours from ski resorts such as Park City, UT and Steamboat Springs, CO; and approximately 2.5 to 3 hours from cities along the Wasatch front like Salt Lake City and Provo, UT. The Vernal area has year-round recreation throughout the Uintah Mountains and Uintah Basin including fishing, hiking, mountain biking, whitewater rafting, motorized and non-motorized boating, camping, hunting, snowmobiling, cross-country skiing, and more. Vernal city has recreation leagues for sports such as basketball, softball, volleyball, tennis, soccer, and other activities like yoga and table tennis. For more information go to: http://www.vernalchamber.com/

About Manila, and Dutch John, Utah

Daggett County has two towns, Manila and Dutch John, each with a year-round population of about 200. Manila is a popular summer home area and is becoming increasingly popular as a summer retirement destination. Essential services are available; such as, groceries, fuel, lodging dining, ambulance, preventive healthcare, and law enforcement. A wider variety of services are available within 50 miles.

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APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Application Deadline: April 19, 2021 or until filled up to May 29, 2021
Interviews: Will occur as qualified applications are received.
Type of position: Work as member of Range Crew on Ashley National Forest
Service Dates: Mid-May through mid-August/September 2021
Length of Term: Up to 80 days (depending upon location)

How to apply:

Submit a cover letter, resume, and three professional references. The positions will be posted on jobs.usu.edu (https://hr.usu.edu/jobs/). Click ‘JOIN US’ to search for the position and apply online or simply click here to go directly to the position.

In addition to submitting your online application, please send an email to the contact below to notify of your intent to apply for the position. Write “Range Crew Corps Member” in the subject line of your email.

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