



OUTREACH NOTICE



USDA FOREST SERVICE

INTERMOUNTAIN REGION, R4

Fishlake and Manti-La Sal National Forests

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Special Uses Program Manager

GS-1170-09/11 or GS-0101/0401-09/11

Response requested by March 19, 2014

Position Description

The purpose of this outreach notice is to (1) **gauge interest in the position**, (2) **to alert interested individuals of this upcoming employment opportunity**, and (3) **to help identify which job series will be used to advertise the position**. The position is expected to be advertised on usajobs.gov in April or May 2014. Please note that a detailer may be selected and utilized while the position is being advertised. (Interested persons should respond using the Outreach Response on page 6.)

The Supervisor's Office of the Fishlake National Forest will be seeking to fill a **GS-1170-09/11 or GS-0101/0401-09/11** position which will serve as the Special Uses Program Manager for the Fishlake National Forest and Manti – La Sal National Forest. The duty station for the position will be **Richfield, Utah**. Duties include but are not limited to the following:

- Administers all aspects of the recreation and non-recreation special uses program including developing the annual program of work, preparing permits/leases, amendments, and audits of use reports
- Applies Forest Service rules, regulations, and policy requirements to permit applications, proposed amendments, permit renewals, and reissuances
- Provides advice and guidance to line and staff officers
- Serves as a primary point of contact to the regional office for special uses and lands
- Assists in coaching and training district and zone personnel tasked with administering special uses
- Familiar and experienced with the IWEB special uses database system (SUDS)
- Ensures records are maintained consistent with FS records policy
- Oversees cost recovery
- Works with agency partners on authorizations that cross administrative boundaries
- Monitors and reports annual accomplishments and targets

- Evaluates simple and complex special use proposals according to handbook screening criteria.
- Field related duties may involve monitoring and on-site inspections of permitted facilities and activities
- Collateral duties as RO and forest point of contact for a variety of INFRA applications
- Performs other duties or projects as assigned

This position requires a unique combination of skills, education, and experience. To be successful, candidates should:

Be customer service oriented.

Be open to new ideas and willing to learn new ways of doing business.

Be energetic, organized, resourceful, self-motivated, and able to think outside the box.

Exhibit effective communication skills.

Have a broad understanding and working knowledge of non-recreation and recreation special uses, SUDS, and INFRA.

Be adept at working independently or in a team setting.

Take pride in being a steward of public lands and enjoy working with a diverse public.

Represent the Forest Service in a professional manner and be responsible, honest, and accountable.

Has strong written and verbal communication skills in order to support permit administration in management of authorizations. Prepares correspondence, identifies and resolves permit compliance issues, and answers questions and phone calls regarding authorizations.

[Richfield, Utah](#)

Richfield is a mid-sized town (population 6,800) located in south-central Utah. The city lies along I-70, about 25 miles east of the junction with I-15. It is a traditional small western town where activities center on families, school and church activities, rodeos, hunting and fishing. Richfield is the county seat for Sevier County. There are many small nearby communities, all within a 25-mile commuting distance. Provo, the closest major city, lies approximately 115 miles north of Richfield, while Cedar City lies about 120 miles south. Salt Lake City lies about 160 miles north of Richfield, and contains the Salt Lake City airport. These major cities are easily accessed using the major interstates and highways.

There are numerous mountain bike, OHV, and equestrian trails and camping sites for the outdoor enthusiast. Fishing areas include Otter Creek Reservoir, Piute Reservoir, Fish Lake and many small lakes and reservoirs located in close proximity to Richfield. Winter sports opportunities within driving distance include downhill skiing, cross-country skiing, ice fishing, and snowmobiling. Average housing rent starts at approximately \$450/month. Home prices range from \$70,000 to \$300,000+ and building lots from \$25,000 to \$45,000. Government housing is not available.

To learn more see: <http://www.sevierutah.net/>
<http://www.sevierutah.net/index.aspx?nid=105>
<http://www.richfieldcity.com/>

Fishlake Forest Information



Fishlake



Box Creek Canyon

The Fishlake National Forest located in south-central Utah, encompasses 1.5 million acres in Beaver, Garfield, Iron, Juab, Millard, Piute, Sanpete, Sevier and Wayne Counties. The Forest features majestic stands of aspen encircling open mountain meadows that are lush with a diverse community of forbs and grasses. Fish Lake, from which the forest takes its name, is considered by many to be the gem of Utah. The largest natural mountain lake in the state, it offers trophy fishing and bird watching. The mountains of the Fishlake are a source of water for many of the neighboring communities and agricultural valleys in the region. Hunting, fishing and OHV use are among the most popular forms of recreation enjoyed by forest visitors.

There are four ranger districts on the Forest; Beaver, in Beaver; Fillmore, in Fillmore; Fremont River in Loa; and Richfield. The Supervisor's Office is co-located with the Richfield Ranger District in Richfield. Additional information about the forest and the districts is available at: www.fs.fed.us/r4/fishlake/about/index.shtml

Manti-La Sal Forest Information

The Manti-La Sal National Forest's 1.4 million acres are scattered through some of the most wide-open spaces in Utah and parts of Colorado (about 17,000 square miles). It features high forested areas, with glacial bowls and alpine peaks, and lower desert elevations strewn with remnants of ancient cultures. The Forest includes the [Dark Canyon Wilderness Area](#) and is bordered by [Arches National Park](#), [Canyonlands National Park](#), and the [San Rafael Swell](#). It is not far from the Glen Canyon National Recreation Area, and [Lake Powell](#).

Rock climbers come from throughout the world to test their skills on the conglomerate rock walls of [Maple Canyon](#) in the Sanpitch Mountains of central Utah. [Snowkiters](#) have discovered the unique pairing of wind currents and large snowbowls on the Wasatch Plateau. Not far away, [Joes Valley](#) is loved by bouldering enthusiasts and kayakers. To the southeast, cyclists take to

the trails of the beautiful [La Sal Mountains](#), which provide an island of cool green towering above the red rock deserts of Moab. American Indians revere many sacred sites in the [Abajo Mountains](#) found in the far reaches of southeastern Utah.

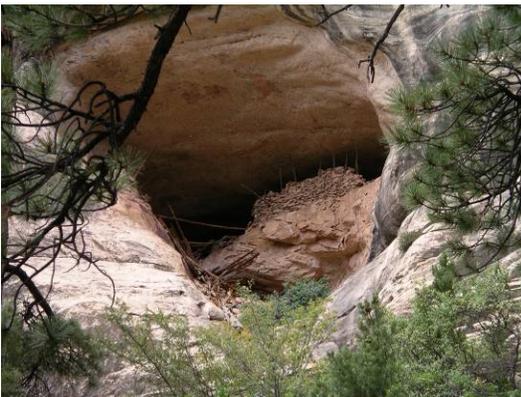


Rock Climbing in Maple Canyon



Skyline Snowkiting

This area of Utah is rich in ancient artifacts. The area is littered with pieces of pottery, stone, fiber and bone that tell the story of people who lived a thousand years ago. Rock cliffs hide granaries and ancient dwellings. Rock faces are often galleries for pictographs and petroglyphs. Archeological surveys indicate there are more prehistoric artifacts on the Manti-La Sal National Forest than any other national forest.



Granary near Blanding, Utah



Puebloan Pots

The Forest is also renowned for coal production. Most of the coal mined in Utah comes from the Wasatch Plateau coal field, where the Forest is located. This amounted to 14,241,000 tons in 2007. The coal is primarily used to produce electricity in three local power plants which generate 2,621 megawatts of power.

Traditionally the Forest has provided forage for cattle and sheep grazing. Utah ranks seventh in the nation for sheep production and the Forest contributes significantly to the necessary forage. In addition, about 20,000 cattle graze on Forest lands.

The Manti-La Sal is the principal water source for surrounding communities. Because of the desert climate, the Forest watershed is vital to life and livelihoods in central and southeastern Utah. Riparian areas and wetlands are precious ecosystems in an otherwise arid landscape.

A large diversity of wildlife species are found on the Forest. Rocky Mountain elk and mule deer are found on all districts, and the Forest is known for quality big game hunting opportunities. The high peaks of the Abajo and La Sal Mountains and Wasatch Plateau contain habitat for species such as the American pika. The Forest contains important habitat for species such as the greater sage grouse, northern goshawk, flammulated owl, golden eagle, Abert's squirrel and black bear. The Mexican spotted owl, a federally listed species, can be found in several of the narrow canyons on the Monticello Ranger District.

Many of the streams, lakes and reservoirs contain fishable populations of various trout species.

Contact Information

For additional information or to express interest in the position, contact Public Services Staff Officer, Mel Bolling at 435-896-1075 or mfbolling@fs.fed.us. An outreach response form is included on the following page.

Thanks for your interest!

**Fishlake and Manti-La Sal National Forests
Outreach Response – Special Uses Program Manager
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Name _____

Email Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Employer:

FS Unit (if applicable) _____

Other _____

Location: _____

Current Position Title: _____

Series/grade if Federal Employee: _____

Qualify in series (1170, 0101/0401, or both) _____

Interested in a 90-120 day detail opportunity? (Yes or No) _____

Are you eligible to be hired under any of the following special authorities?

_____ Schedule A (Person with Disabilities)

_____ Veterans Readjustment

_____ Veterans w/30% Compensable Disability

_____ Veterans Employment Opportunities Act Of 1998

_____ Former Peace Corps Volunteer

_____ Pathways Program (Students and Recent Graduates)

_____ Other _____

NOTE: In your email response, please briefly describe your experience, skill level and interest in the position. PLEASE EMAIL RESPONSES TO mfbolling@fs.fed.us