

Meet Joe Koloski, Ava/Cassville/Willow Springs Ranger, reporting August 11, 2014.

Joe Koloski was a natural resources specialist on Talladega National Forest, Oakmulgee Ranger District, in Alabama where he managed the district's recreation, special uses, minerals, game wildlife, and non-native invasive species programs.

Prior to joining USDA Forest Service in 2009, Joe served as the wildlife biologist for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe in southwest Colorado and as a regional biologist supervisor for the southeastern US for the National Wild Turkey Federation.

He was raised in Vermont and earned his bachelor's of science and master's of science degrees from University of Wyoming in Wildlife and Fisheries Biology and Management.

Joe and his wife have two sons, ages 6 and 9. He enjoys hunting, camping, backpacking and spending time with his family.