



2015 Summer Season Temporary Employment Opportunities

US Forest Service, Eastern Region

Chippewa

National Forest

Locations available: Blackduck, Deer River, Walker, and Cass Lake, Minnesota



The Chippewa National Forest is seeking a number of qualified applicants to fill a variety of temporary full-time positions for the 2015 summer season.

Positions are within various departments such as Recreation, Timber, Silviculture, Botany, and Administration. The deadline to apply to these positions will be indicated on the vacancy announcement you are interested in applying for.

Length of season and number of positions will depend upon budget. Seasonal housing may be available for employees.

Positions will be advertised and filled using multiple hiring authorities, including temporary 1039 positions and Pathways Programs positions. See below for information on how to apply.

Temporary Positions: Temporary positions (up to approximately 6 months) will be listed on the USAJobs website. **Please call contacts listed below for the vacancy number(s) for the position in which you are interested in applying for.** Applicants that wish to be considered for available positions must apply to the corresponding announcement number by the close of business on ***the day the vacancy announcement closes. The closing date will be listed on the vacancy announcement.*** All applicants who have applied to announcements on or before the listed closing date and are found to be qualified will be referred for consideration. The vacancy announcements for these positions are posted on the USAJobs website found at www.usajobs.gov. Instructions on how to apply are on the website.

How to apply: Apply online at USAJobs.gov. This online application process allows applicants to submit employment information that can be printed for personal use and/or edited on the website for future use. Clicking the links below will take you to the announcements on USAJOBS. If you do not have a USAJOBS account the system will help you establish one. Your account can be used for other federal job vacancies.

Important: If you wish to be considered for these positions, you must apply prior to the closing date listed on the vacancy announcement. Please specify which locations you wish to be considered for. Locations include: **Blackduck, Deer River, Walker, and Cass Lake, Minnesota.**



POSITIONS AVAILABLE FOR 2015 ON THE CHIPPEWA NATIONAL FOREST

Recreation

GS-3 Forestry Technician (recreation) – 1 in Blackduck

GS-2 Forestry Aid (recreation/facilities) – 1 in Blackduck

GS-5 Forestry Technician (recreation) – 1 in Deer River

For more information about vacancies within our Recreation program contact:

Blackduck: Patti Hines at phines@fs.fed.us or 218.835.3116.

Deer River: Michelle Heiker at mheiker@fs.fed.us or 218.246.3474

Timber Sale Preparation

GS-5 Forestry Technician (sale preparation) – May be filling up to 1 positions in Walker, MN

For more information about vacancies and the Chippewa Timber Program contact:

Walker: Matthew Stolzman at mstolzman@fs.fed.us or 218- 547-1044

Timber/TSI

GS-5 Forestry Technician (Common Stand Exam, Planning) – May be filling up to 1 positions in Deer River, MN

For more information about vacancies within our Timber/TSI program contact:

Barbara Knight at bknight@fs.fed.us or 218-246-2362

Administration

GS-2 Office Automation Clerk – May be filling up to 1 position in Deer River, MN

For more information about vacancies within our Administration program contact:

Jen Guith at jguith@fs.fed.us or 218-246-3487

Biological (Rare Plant) Surveys

GS-5 Biological Science Technician (plants) – May be filling up to 3 positions in Deer River, MN

For more information about Biological Science Technician vacancies contact:

Jeremy Cable at jcable@fs.fed.us or 218-246-3459

Student Trainee

GS-3or 4 Student Trainee (Reforestation) - May be filling 2 positions 1 in Deer River, MN and 1 in Blackduck, MN

GS-3 or 4 Student Trainee (Sale Prep) – May be filling 2 positions 1 in Blackduck, MN; and 1 in Deer River, MN

GS-3 or 4 Student Trainee (Fire) – May be filling up to 2 positions 1 in Deer River, MN; and 1 in Walker, MN

GS-3, 4 or 5 Student Trainee (Recreation) – May be filling 4 positions: 1 in Cass Lake, MN, 1 in Blackduck, MN and 2 in Deer River, MN

GS-3 Student Trainee (Info Receptionist) - May be filling 3 positions 1 in Walker, MN; 1 in Cass Lake, MN and 1 in Blackduck, MN

DESCRIPTIONS OF WORK TO BE ACCOMPLISHED

Information Receptionist

Duties include customer service and information receptionist duties. Respond to visitor questions regarding recreation opportunities, local area, and general Forest information. May provide some office services support.

Biological Science Technician

Work will involve driving 4X4 trucks, map reading skills, handling mechanical equipment such as hand tools, chainsaws, brush augers and performing these duties at times under arduous conditions. Some computer work will be required for reports using word processing, spreadsheets and recording field data and accomplishments.

- Biological Science Technician (plants) – Rare plants field surveys; verify identification and locations of rare plants; inspect contractor performance; survey other rare species (we'll train), such as goshawks, red-shouldered hawks, and songbirds; inventory noxious weeds, and other duties. Plants sought includes orchids (e.g. fairy slipper; ram's-head lady's slipper; white adder's mouth; bog adder's mouth; club-spur orchid), grapeferns/ moonworts (e.g. lanceleaf grapefern; goblin fern; blunt-lobed grapefern; pale moonwort), and many others.

Forestry Technician

Primary duties would include a variety of complex and recurring technical duties individually or as a crew member or leader, in support of the unit's various natural resource management program areas.

- Forestry Technician (reforestation and stand exam) – Applicant serves as a member of the district's reforestation crew. Responsibilities include but are not limited to: assisting in contract inspection for site preparation, planting, release and protection contracts. Performs survival and stocking surveys using a personal data recorder. May assist with common stand exam contract inspections. Candidate will be required to work independently frequently. The work week is typically Monday through Friday, 40 hours per week, and can be physically demanding.
- Forestry Technician (recreation) – Applicant works in the district recreation program. Duties include support of the Forest recreation program; working primarily in the areas of developed recreation, dispersed recreation, and motorized/non-motorized trails management. Duties will include facility and grounds maintenance of developed recreation sites, fee collections, trails maintenance, and dispersed recreation campsite maintenance. Visitor contacts are common. The work can be physically demanding, and usually consists of a 40 hour work week, Monday-Friday though weekend and holiday work may be required.
- Forestry Technician (TSI) - Collects, summarizes and prepares requested reports and maps which provide information in planting units concerning topography, vegetation (trees/shrubs) condition, invasive species and general conditions of the area.
- Forestry Technician (sale preparation) - Applicant serves as a member of the district's sale preparation crew. Duties include: marking trees in timber sale units, flagging or painting timber sale unit boundaries, using Global Positioning System (GPS) to record unit boundaries and other unit features. The work week is typically Monday through Friday, 40 hours per week. The work can be physically demanding.

For More Information

Contact your local Forest Service Office for more information:

Cass Lake Supervisor's Office	218-335-8600
Blackduck Ranger District	218-835-4291
Deer River Ranger District	218-246-2123
Walker Ranger District	218-547-7900

More information about jobs in the Forest Service can be found online at
<http://www.fs.fed.us/fsjobs/openings.shtml>

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INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO APPLY FOR TEMPORARY 1039 POSITIONS

Example of Minimum Qualification Requirements for GS-3, GS-4 and GS-5 Forestry Technicians

Grade 03: Qualifying experience for the GS-3 level includes six months general experience that demonstrates the applicant's ability to perform the work of the position or that provided familiarity with the subject matter or processes of the occupation.

SUBSTITUTION OF EDUCATION FOR EXPERIENCE: Experience requirements may be met by successful completion of one (1) academic year of post high school education which included at least 6 semester/9 quarter hours in any combination of courses such as range management or conservation, agriculture, forestry, wildlife management, engineering, biology, mathematics, or other natural or physical sciences.

COMBINATION OF EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE: Equivalent combinations of successfully completed education and experience may be used to meet the experience requirements.

Grade 04: Qualifying experience for the GS-04 level includes six months general experience that demonstrates the applicant's ability to perform the work of the position or that provided familiarity with the subject matter or processes of the occupation AND six months specialized experience at the GS-03 level that is directly related to the line of work of the position to be filled and which has equipped the applicant with the particular knowledge, skills, and abilities to successfully perform the duties of the position.

SUBSTITUTION OF EDUCATION FOR EXPERIENCE: Experience requirements may be met by successful completion of two (2) academic years of post-high school education which included at least 12 semester/18 quarter hours in any combination of courses such as forestry, agriculture, crop or plant science, range management or conservation, wildlife management, watershed management, soil science, natural resources (except marine fisheries and oceanography), outdoor recreation management, civil or forest engineering, or wildland fire science. No more than 3 semester hours in mathematics is creditable.

COMBINATION OF EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE: Equivalent combinations of successfully completed education and experience may be used to meet the experience requirements.

Grade 05: Qualifying experiences includes one year of specialized experience equivalent to GS-4. Specialized experience is experience which is in or directly related to the line of work of the position to be filled and which has equipped the applicant with the particular knowledge, skills, and abilities to successfully perform the duties of the position.

SUBSTITUTION OF EDUCATION FOR EXPERIENCE: Experience requirements may be met by successful completion of a four (4) year course of study leading to a bachelors' degree or the equivalent. Education must include at least 24 semester/36 quarter hours in any combination of courses such as forestry, agriculture, crop or plant science, range management or conservation, wildlife management, watershed management, soil science, natural resources (except marine fisheries and oceanography), outdoor recreation management, civil or forest engineering, or wildland fire science. No more than 6 semester/9 quarter hours in mathematics is creditable.

COMBINATION OF EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE: Equivalent combinations of successfully completed education and experience may be used to meet the experience requirements.

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