

Region 6, Malheur National Forest, Hines, Oregon
Outreach Notice/Vacancy Announcement
15-FIREOCR-462IADISP-89G & DP
Assistant Dispatch Center Manager GS-0462-08/09
Outreach Open Date: April 6, 2015 - Close Date: April 27, 2015

The Malheur National Forest is recruiting and filling one **GS-0462-08/09 – Assistant Dispatch Center Manager** position. This position will be filled as a Permanent Full Time appointment.

Duty station is Malheur NF – Hines, OR for the Burns Interagency Fire Zone

This outreach/vacancy will be filled using the Open and Continuous Roster under both Merit and Demo Authorities. Vacancy announcement numbers are: **15-FIREOCR-462IADISP-89 G & DP**. Those wishing to be considered for this position must apply to the appropriate vacancy announcement by **Monday, April 27, 2015**.

A referral list will be requested shortly after **April 27, 2015**.

Apply online at <http://www.usajobs.gov>

About the application process and position:

You can apply for this position on the open & continuous announcements at “USAJOBS” by the application closing date. If you are interested, please submit your application by **Monday, April 27, 2015 (closing date)**. Current government employees can apply to both vacancy announcements. Non-government candidates must apply to 15-FIREOCR-462IADISP-89DP. All applicants must attach a current copy of their IQCS Master Record to their application. Applicants will need to select **Hines, OR** to identify the duty location related to the position they are interested in. Through the announcement, you will be instructed to electronically attach additional information (eg; resume, SF-50, training documentation/ certificates, college transcripts, etc.)

This position has been identified under the Interagency Fire Program Management (IFPM) standards and is subject to selective placement factor requirements contained in the Interagency Fire Program Management (IFPM) Standard and Guide when filling this vacancy. IFPM selective placement factors are made up of a primary and secondary National Wildfire Coordinating Group (NWCG) core Incident Management Qualifications and Required Training. The applicant will be required to possess these qualifications by October 1, 2013 and must meet them prior to entry into the position after October 1, 2013. For further information: <http://www.ifpm.nifc.gov/standard/electronicver/electronic.htm>

FIREFIGHTER RETIREMENT COVERAGE: This is a secondary firefighter position under 5 USC 8336(c) (CSRS) and 8412(d) (FERS). Prior wildland firefighting experience is required.



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KEY REQUIREMENTS:

- US Citizenship is required.
- Selective Service Registration is required for males born after 12/31/1959.
- Minimum of 90 days of wildland firefighting experience is required.
- Must possess and maintain a Valid Driver's License.
- Must meet IFPM qualifications.
- Secondary firefighter retirement covered position.

DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES:

This position is a part of the management of the Burns Interagency Communication Center, dispatching for the BLM – Burns District, Forest Service – Emigrant Creek Ranger Station, and Malheur Refuge. The dispatch position is responsible primarily for wildland fire preparedness and suppression activities. The position is categorized as an Initial Attack Dispatcher (IADP) in the Interagency Fire Program Management (IFPM). The duties of this position create a highly stressful environment during peak activity, requiring the ability to keep calm in emergency situations. Also must be able to cope with the pressure of meeting timeframes and changing priorities. Prior wildland firefighting experience is mandatory. Knowledge of wildland fire suppression and prescribed fire activities, tactics, methods and procedures, fire behavior and weather conditions to effectively dispatch fire resources is needed. The position requires working long hours during high fire activity with minimal days off.

This position serves as an Assistant Dispatch Center Manager located in an interagency dispatch center that is part of a fire organization. Assists the Center Manager in the oversight of all dispatch center operations. In the absence of the Center Manager, the incumbent becomes Acting Center Manager.

Coordinates mobilization and demobilization activities related to wildland fire suppression. Evaluates and coordinates operations and assists in plan development. Performs various technical duties that involve differing and unrelated processes and methods. Tasks may shift frequently from one dispatch-related assignment to other, substantially different tasks. Evaluates, plans, and coordinates wildland fire and other daily operational situations to ensure adequate quantities of resources and machinery are dispatched to incidents. Implements and maintains mobilization plans, emergency disaster plans, dispatch policies, and procedures.

Schedules and directs the use of Forest helicopters and fixed-wing aircraft. Coordinates air transportation of unit personnel, supplies, and equipment. Monitors use of aircraft under unit control as well as other known aircraft use over unit lands. Serves as an Incident Commander in circumstances where the usual Commander is unable to fulfill these duties. Performs other duties as assigned.

LOCATION: The **Emigrant Creek Ranger District** office is located in Hines, Oregon, on the south side of the Burns/Hines community. Burns/Hines is considered the gateway to the Malheur National Wildlife Refuge (36 miles) and the Steen's Mountains located south of town (50 miles). The Strawberry Mountains Wilderness (50 miles) and Malheur National Forest are located north and west of town.



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The approximate population of Burns/Hines is 5500. As the service center for Harney County, an area roughly the size of the State of Massachusetts, Burns/Hines is a full-service community. There are two large grocery stores, hardware and ranch supply stores, clothing stores, several restaurants and large motels, two drug stores, several fitness centers, bed and breakfasts, two lumber yards, a number of service stations, as well as many other services and stores. The closest urban centers include Bend, Oregon (2 hours west), Ontario, Oregon (2 hours east), and Boise, Idaho (3.5 hours east).

There is a full set of schools, from kindergarten through high school. Extension campuses for both Treasure Valley Community College and Eastern Oregon University are located in the community.

A state of the art hospital and medical, dental, and optical clinics are located in Burns. There are three nursing homes and/or assisted care living facilities. Health programs include home health, hospice, public health, mental health, as well as specialized services such as orthopedic and fracture clinics, orthodontic services, and physical therapy.

Harney County has about 7600 residents, with Burns as the county seat. There are a number of other federal and state agencies in the community including Bureau of Land Management, Oregon State Police, Oregon Dept. of Fish and Wildlife, Oregon Dept of Transportation, Employment, Family Services, Natural Resources Conservation Services, Eastern Oregon Agricultural Research Station. The base economy is about evenly split between ranching, light manufacturing, and government.

Located at an elevation of 4142 feet, Burns/Hines is located at the transition between the shrub-steppe ecosystem of the High Desert and the ponderosa pine forest. Summers are warm (80-90's), with low humidity, and cool summer nights. Winter days are cool (temps in 10-20's), with little snowfall. Average snow depth in the valley is 1 foot or less; 3 feet or more in the mountains. Days are typically sunny in both winter and summer.

The area offers unlimited outdoor recreational opportunities including hunting (elk, deer, antelope, upland birds, waterfowl), fishing, horse riding, birding (especially during Spring migration), hiking, mountain biking/cycling, rock hounding, camping, dramatic scenery, history, winter sports such as cross country and back country skiing or snowmobiling. It offers wide open spaces for those seeking peace and solitude. Deer and quail are common residents in most neighborhoods within the community. Managed wild horse herds are still found throughout the Harney Basin.

NO Government Housing Available.

For more information on the area, you may contact the Harney County Chamber of Commerce at: (541) 573-2636 or website - <http://www.harneycounty.com/> OR

Local Newspaper website - <http://burnstimesherald.info/>

About the Malheur Forest: The Malheur National Forest encompasses 1.7 million acres of wilderness, rangeland, and general forest in the majestic Blue Mountains of eastern Oregon. It sustains a diversity of vegetation ranging from juniper-sagebrush woodlands and bunchgrass grasslands to high elevation alpine forests of sub-alpine fir and white bark pine. Extensive tracts of ponderosa pine, western larch, Douglas-fir, grand fir, and lodge pole forests occur between the juniper/grassland foothills and alpine peaks. Elevations range from 4000 feet to 9038 feet atop Strawberry Mountain. The majority of the Forest lies in Grant and Harney counties, with portions



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in Baker, Crook, and Malheur counties. U.S. Highway 395 bisects the Forest north-to-south, and U.S. Highway 26 from east-to-west. The Forest has three Ranger Districts: Blue Mountain and Prairie City to the north, and the Emigrant Creek Ranger District on the southern portion of the forest.

Outreach for Assistant Dispatch Center Manager – GS-0462-08/09

Duty Station: Region 6, Malheur National Forest, BICC @ Hines, OR

Please respond to Terri Hellbusch by or before Monday, April 27, 2015

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CURRENT STATUS:

Agency:	<input type="checkbox"/> USFS	<input type="checkbox"/> BLM	<input type="checkbox"/> Other			
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Position Title:						

If you are not currently a permanent (career or career conditional) employee, are you eligible to be hired under any of the following special authorities?

People with Disabilities	<input type="checkbox"/>
Veterans Recruitment Act	<input type="checkbox"/>
Disabled Veterans w/30% Compensable Disability	<input type="checkbox"/>
Veterans Employment Opportunities Act of 1998	<input type="checkbox"/>
Former Peace Corps Volunteer	<input type="checkbox"/>
Student Intern Program	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Thank you for your interest in our position!



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