



OUTREACH ANNOUNCEMENT
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Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest

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Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest
Bridgeport Ranger District
District Fuel Specialist
Outreach
GS-0462-08/09
PD FS0934/FS0867
15-FIREOCR-462DFUEL-89G & DP

The Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest, Bridgeport Ranger District, will be advertising for one GS-0462-08/09, District Fuel Specialist position. The duty station is Bridgeport, CA.

If interested in for this position, please send completed outreach form and resume to David Easton, we will ask for the referral list on **April 28, 2015**.

Position Description

The position serves as a specialist in support of the District fire management program and works directly for the DFMO.

Duties:

This is a standard wildland fire management position description intended for use in the USDA Forest Service. The incumbent serves in a key fire management position in a field fire management organization as a Prescribed Fire/Fuels Technician. Primary responsibilities of the position are preparing and implementing prescribed fire plans, fire effects monitoring plans, manual and mechanical hazardous fuels treatments, and smoke and wildland fire use monitoring plans.

The incumbent integrates prescribed fire/fuels management, smoke management, fuels modification principles and procedures, fire effects knowledge, and knowledge of scientific data collection and analysis principles into a comprehensive prescribed fire/fuels management program for a unit(s). This is an arduous position. This position is categorized as a District or Zone Fuels Technician (DFAFM-T) position

in the Forest Service Fire Program Management (FS-FPM) Standard and Guide as designated by the W.O. Fire and Aviation Management.

Must meet the following NWCG qualifications for promotional detail: RXB2 (currency required) –and- ENGB, CRWB, HMGB, FELD or HEQB (currency required).

This position is a secondary firefighter position under the provisions of 5 U.S.C 8336 (c) and 5 U.S.C. 8412 (d). It provides coverage under those provisions to an incumbent transferring directly from a primary firefighter position or to those who have previously transferred directly from a primary to a secondary position. Prior wildland firefighting experience is required.

Government housing may be available.

About the Forest

HUMBOLDT-TOIYABE NATIONAL FOREST

At over 6.3 million acres, the Humboldt-Toiyabe (H-T) National Forest is the largest in the contiguous United States. The Forest spans the entire state of Nevada, with one million acres of land in the Eastern part of California, along the Eastern Sierra Front.

The Forest consists of four distinct geographic areas, the Sierra Nevada, Central Nevada, Northeastern Nevada, and the Spring Mountains (Las Vegas). The Nevada portion of the Forest extends from the Idaho/Oregon border south to Las Vegas, and from the California border east to the Utah border, essentially the entire state of Nevada. The Forest administers 5.3 million acres in 12 of Nevada's 17 counties, and one million acres in 7 California counties. The H-T is the only Region 4 National Forest containing NFS land within the State of California.

Bridgeport Ranger District

The Bridgeport District encompasses 1.2 million acres and spans 5 mountain ranges. Two-thirds of the district is in Nevada, one-third is in California. The District borders Yosemite National Park and several wilderness areas. Vegetation ranges from high alpine plant communities to salt desert flats.

The District has a robust program of work that covers range, fire and fuels, recreation, wildlife, fisheries, watershed, noxious weeds, minerals and special uses. There are about approximately 40 permanent employees and the District typically hires additional seasonal employees. The District is also home to the US Marine Corps Mountain Warfare Training Center.

Bridgeport Community Information

The Ranger Station is located in Bridgeport, CA, a town of about 800 year-round residents, nestled at the base of the Sierra Nevada. In the summer, the area swells with tourists coming to enjoy the scenic beauty and outstanding fishing opportunities. Bridgeport is about 45 minutes from Yosemite National Park, 1 1/2 hours from Lake Tahoe, and 2 1/2 hours from Reno, NV.

Government housing may be available depending on available space. Housing in Bridgeport is limited. Rentals range from \$600 to \$1000+ per month. A typical 3 bed/2 bath single family home in Bridgeport costs anywhere from \$200,000-\$350,000+.

Bridgeport has a K-8 elementary school. High schools are located in Coleville, CA and Lee Vining, CA. Churches representing several denominations can be found within the local commuting area. Bridgeport has a

small clinic and ambulance and Life-Flight services. Hospitals are located in Gardnerville, NV and Mammoth Lakes, CA. Bridgeport has a small grocery store and several restaurants/bars.

Annual precipitation in Bridgeport averages 9 inches/year. Total annual snowfall averages 50 inches with most occurring from December to February. Summer highs in Bridgeport rarely reach 90 degrees (F) or above. In winter, low temperatures can reach 30 below zero.

Fire Program

The Bridgeport RD has one of the most extensive and complex fire suppression, fuels and prescribed burning programs in the region. The district covers 2 states, 5 counties, and works with State, Federal and numerous local fire agencies and a 100+ mile border with Region 5. The Sierra Front is heavily populated and provide a truly wildland urban interface fire environment within a grass, sage and conifer fuel type. Fire suppression activities are typically multi-jurisdictional/unified command with a diverse response from cooperating fire suppression agencies requiring the incumbent to possess a working knowledge of cooperative fire protection and cost share agreements. Fires can exhibit extreme fire behavior requiring strong wildland fire skills and the ability to work positively with multiple cooperators.

The Bridgeport District fire organization consists of one DFMO, one DAFMO, one FOS and one Fuels Specialist. Resources assigned to the District include; one Type 1 Helicopter, one Type 3 Helicopter program, one Type 4 engine, two Type 6 engines, and two FPT's.

Fuels Program

The Bridgeport District Fuels program is diverse in the size of projects, scope and type. Both WUI and non-WUI projects are part of the program and consist of treatments ranging from mix-conifer understory burning to pinyon-juniper mastication.

The District Fuels Specialist will be responsible for assisting the District FMO in providing oversight to an aggressive prescribed fire and fuels management program, fire wise program, as well as fire suppression and pre-suppression programs. Management of these programs will require skills in organization, supervision, budgeting, NEPA compliance, technical writing, and an ability to work in a culturally diverse workforce.

Duties:

Specific duties may include providing input by gathering, compiling, and analyzing data to aid in meeting resource management objectives with prescribed fire, multiple objective wildland fires, and vegetative treatments. This includes the ability to run and interpret a variety of fire, fuels, and smoke modeling programs, the ability to write and review burn plans, and the ability to provide professional expertise in environmental documents. Input into environmental documents may consist of being the fuels specialist on an interdisciplinary team, or it may consist of being the Interdisciplinary Team Leader for a fuels project.

The duties of the position also consist of project implementation which includes: the design and layout of treatment units utilizing a variety of treatment options including prescribed fire and mechanical treatments where the position may be assigned COR duties. The incumbent must also be able to assist in the implementation of the vegetation treatment projects in the capacity of burn boss. And will also lead in the development and implementation of post treatment monitoring. In addition this position will take the lead in reporting fuels accomplishments and coordinating fuels-related treatments with groups within and outside the agency.

This position participates in wildland firefighting activities and the Fuels Specialist will perform wildfire suppression support as directed within training and physical capabilities and other duties as assigned.

For additional information about the area please visits the following websites at:

H-T Website www.fs.usda.gov/htnf
Sierra Front Interagency Dispatch Center www.sierrafont.net/
Mono County CA www.monocounty.ca.gov/

If interested in this position please contact:
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Yes, I am interested in the following position:

Please Respond by April 28,2015.

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| Position Title/Series/Grade: Fuels Specialist- 0462-GS-8/9 |
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| Are you currently a Federal employee? |
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| IF YES, current Agency and location: |
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Please send this completed form along with a resume or brief description of your work experiences identifying your qualifications to:

David Easton, District Fire Management Officer at (760) 932-5804 or deaston@fs.fed.us
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Thank you for your interest in our position.
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