



OUTREACH NOTICE OUTREACH NOTICE



**USDA FOREST SERVICE
INTERMOUNTAIN REGION, R-4
Boise National Forest
December 2nd, 2009**

The Boise National Forest will be requesting a referral list on or after January 10th to fill one **Assistant Fire Engine Operator / Squad Leader** position, GS-462-04/05.

Interested applicants should submit an application to the Open Continuous Recruitment (OCR) announcement **OCR-ENGSRFF-462-4/5G & DP** (Merit and Demo) posted on AVUE at **www.avuedigitalservices.com**

When applying, you must indicate the duty station for the position you are applying to:

CASCADE RANGER DISTRICT

About the Position

The incumbent serves as the AFEO / Squad Leader for a Type 6 Wildland Engine. This is a Permanent-seasonal (13/13) position, and will be advertised as Forestry Technician (Fire Engine Operator), GS-462-04/05.

Major Duties:

Serves as a squad leader/AFEO on a Type 6 wildland engine, and typically provides first-line supervision for up to 4 fire fighters. Under direction of Engine Captain or Assistant, assigns work to subordinates based on priorities, difficulty and requirements of assignments, and the capabilities of the employees. Trains subordinates by demonstrating skills in use of hand and power tools, hoses, chemicals, and hydraulic systems. Observes, corrects and evaluates crew skills.

Personally performs and may direct others in starting pump engine, priming pump, adjusting engine speed and pump valves, laying hose, and using appropriate fittings for effective use of water and additives. Is expected to gain specialized skills in water handling, become fully qualified in chain saw operations, and may be responsible for maintenance of specialized equipment used to respond to wildland urban interface/intermix situations. Gathers and considers information on weather data, topography, fuel types, and fire behavior in responding to wildland fire incidents.

This engine is located within close proximity to wildland-urban interface and intermix areas, and typically work in close coordination with other federal, state, or municipal fire agencies.

IFPM Requirements

This position has been identified as a Senior Firefighter position in the Interagency Fire Program Management Standard (IFPM), and is subject to selective placement factors. The minimum qualification standards for this position are: **FFT1** (currency required) and prior completion of **S-290**. Applicants may be hired into the position prior to the IFPM implementation deadline of October 1, 2010 with less than the minimum qualification standards, however the incumbent will be required to attain the required qualifications and training by the deadline. See Forest Service SPD Crosswalk, page 13, located at: <http://www.fs.fed.us/fire/management/ifpm/crosswalk.pdf>

This position is covered as a Primary Firefighter Position under 5 USC 8336 (c) CSRS and 5 USC 8412 (d) FERS.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION:

This AFEO position is located in Cascade, Idaho, which is one of the most scenic spots in Idaho. Cascade is a full service community, located on Highway 55, approximately 75 miles north of Boise, Idaho. The population of Cascade is approximately 1,000. Nearby are several other communities such as Donnelly and McCall. The North Zone is comprised of the north half of the Boise National Forest totaling approximately 1,500,000 acres, and the Cascade RD about 450,000 acres. For additional information regarding the community of Cascade visit the following web site: (<http://www.cascade-chamber.com>).

ABOUT THE FOREST:

The Boise National Forest is 2,521,280 acres ranging from 3,500 to 9,730 feet above sea level. Plant life varies from desert-like countryside of the Great Basin to the alpine vegetation of the Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness. Generally, winters are cold and snowy, and spring and fall are mild. Temperatures in the summers on the Cascade RD range into the low 80s, with occasional cool spells, and are generally dry.

HOUSING:

House and apartment rentals in the Cascade area range from \$400-1,000 per month for rentals. Prices for three to four bedroom homes range from \$150,000 to \$300,000 plus. No family housing is available through the District. Bunkhouse facilities may be available with temporary seasonal workers having first priority.

MEDICAL: Cascade is a full service community, providing a hospital with several local physicians and specialists.

CONTACT INFORMATION

For additional information, contact the following:

James Brown, SFEO, at 208-866-8153, jamesbrown@fs.fed.us or
Mike Theisen, District AFMO, 208-859-0769, metheisen@fs.fed.us

OUTREACH NOTICE FORM
Forestry Technician (Fire Engine Operator)
GS-462-04/05
BOISE NATIONAL FOREST
Cascade Ranger District,
PO BOX 696 Cascade ID 83709
ATTN: James Brown
E-MAIL: jamesbrown@fs.fed.us

NAME: _____

IBM or INTERNET ADDRESS: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____

AGENCY EMPLOYED WITH: _____ USFS _____ BLM _____ OTHER

TYPE OF APPOINTMENT: _____ PERMANENT _____ TEMPORARY _____ TERM
_____ VRA _____ PWD _____ OTHER

CURRENT REGION/FOREST/DISTRICT: _____

CURRENT SERIES AND GRADE: _____

CURRENT POSITION TITLE: _____

IF NOT A CURRENT PERMANENT (CAREER OR CAREER-CONDITIONAL) EMPLOYEE,
ARE YOU ELIGIBLE TO BE REHIRED UNDER ANY OF THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL
AUTHORITIES?

- _____ PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES
- _____ VETERANS READJUSTMENT
- _____ DISABLED VETERANS WITH 30% COMPENSABLE DISABILITY
- _____ VETERANS EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES ACT OF 1998
- _____ FORMER PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEER
- _____ STUDENT CAREER EXPERIENCE PROGRAM
- _____ OTHER _____

Thank you for your interest in our vacancy!