



OUTREACH NOTICE

Opening Date: August 4st, 2011

Closing Date: August 18th, 2011

Position: Position Title: North Zone Assistant Fire Management Officer (Operations)
Location: Kaibab NF- North Kaibab RD, Fredonia, Arizona
Grade Level: GS-0462-10/11

Apply to Position #PERM-OCR-462-10/11-AFMO-G/DP in AVUE, Use Fredonia AZ for location.

Position Description for this position is FS1634 and FS1635, there are FS-IFPM requirements for these PDs.

Entrance On

Duty Date: EEOD October 9th, 2011

Brief Statement of Duties/Description of Position:

The North Zone Fire Management Office is seeking a highly motivated individual to fill the position as the GS-0462-10/11 North Zone AFMO (Operations). This announcement is for all individuals who wish to be considered for this position. The tentative start date is October 9th, 2011 but is negotiable.

The incumbent of this position will be very involved in USFS and NPS Interagency business. The incumbent of this position will supervise one GS-9 Fire Operations Specialist (NPS Employee) located at the North Rim Station, two GS-8 Type III Engine Captains/Station Managers (Jacob Lake Station & Big Springs Station, FS Employees), one WG-10 Fire Equipment Operator, one WG-5 Dozer Swamper, and one Materials Handler/Cache Manager. The North Zone works closely with the Williams Rd, Tusayan RD and the South Rim Programs fire programs. A close working relationship with the Arizona Strip BLM and Kanab Field Office fire programs is also in place.

The incumbent proactively engages with North Zone FMO, North Zone Fuels Specialist and the budget staffs to make informed decisions, and to efficiently manage the annual budget authorization. The incumbent will be expected to be the North Zone Fire Duty Officer when available and as qualifications allow. S/he may participate in zone aerial reconnaissance as availability and experience allows. S/he may act as the Zone FMO during the FMO's absence. The incumbent will be responsible for following the preparedness plan and maintaining staffing levels. S/he will coordinate with other Fire Duty Officers to manage resources. The incumbent serves as the North Kaibab District fleet representative as well as ensuring that fire reports are entered timely and correctly.

North Zone Fire Management Information:

The Fire Management Program at the North Kaibab RD is a diverse and complex program that manages fire and fuels through prescribed fire, manual thinning, managing unplanned ignitions for resource benefit, and suppression. The Fire Management Program at the North Kaibab RD works under an Interagency Agreement between the Kaibab National Forest-North Kaibab Ranger District and Grand Canyon National Park- North Rim, as the North Zone Interagency Fire Management Program. The North Zone Fire Management staff is supervised by an Interagency Zone Fire Management Officer, an Interagency Assistant Fire Management Officer and an Interagency Fuels Specialist. The District's fire/fuels management program includes managing wildfires for multiple objectives and prescribed fire (5,000 to 10,000 acres annually) activities. Since 2001 this area has treated approximately 30,000 acres with prescribed fire and over 40,000 acres with unplanned ignitions managed for resource benefit. Close coordination between Grand Canyon NP and Kaibab NF resource specialists occurs daily and is most for successful operations. The area averages 100 fire starts annually (lightning and human). During the peak of the fire season, the North Zone Fire Management Program employs roughly 50 firefighters.

The Zone consists of approximately 1.5 million acres, ranging from the Colorado River 3,000 feet to Spruce Fir forests at 9,000 feet, the area is bordered by Glen Canyon NRA to the east and Lake Mead NRA on the west, the south border is the Colorado River and the Arizona Strip District of the BLM on the North.

North Kaibab Ranger District / North Rim- Grand Canyon NP

The North Kaibab Ranger District program areas include forest and rangeland vegetation management, fire/fuels, wildlife, recreation, wilderness and heritage resource management. The district is home to the largest number of northern goshawks in the lower 48 states, a bison herd, California condors, the Kaibab squirrel and a renowned mule deer population, among other wildlife. Key recreation areas on the district include Saddle Mountain and Kanab Creek Wildernesses, the 18-mile Rainbow Rim Trail along the edge of Grand Canyon, and the Great Western and Arizona Trails.

The North Rim of Grand Canyon National Park is known worldwide for its spectacular beauty and its remote location in Northern Arizona. The fuels on the North Rim of the Grand Canyon and the North Kaibab Ranger District include ponderosa pine, mixed conifer, spruce/fir, and pinyon-juniper. The North Rim is located approximately 75 miles from Kanab, UT, approximately 225 miles from Flagstaff, AZ and approximately 150 miles from Saint George, UT. Elevations on the Kaibab Plateau range between 5000 feet to above 8500 feet. The North Rim Developed area has limited services.

The Local Community

The area is rural in character with full-service communities nearby. The North Kaibab Ranger Station is located in Fredonia, Arizona. Fredonia's population is approximately 1,500, with K-12 schools, a post office, churches, several small motels, gas stations and in some years a restaurant. Kanab, Utah, seven miles north of Fredonia, has approximately 5,000 residents. It offers K-12 schools, a post office, two grocery stores, several motels and restaurants, a nine-hole golf course, a movie theatre, a playhouse, a hospital, a number of churches, miscellaneous retail stores, and a community chorus and orchestra.

Larger communities such as Page, Arizona (90 miles east) and St. George, Utah (80 miles west) offer additional shopping, larger medical facilities, malls and commercial airports for smaller aircraft. Federal land management agencies and Native American tribes play a prominent role in the area. The district is bordered by Grand Canyon National Park to the south, Vermilion Cliffs National Monument (BLM) to the east, Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument (BLM) and Zion National Park to the north, and the Arizona Strip (BLM) to the west. The Kaibab Band of Paiutes reservation is located just west of Fredonia.

Climate depends on elevation. Summers are generally sunny and hot, ranging from average highs of 90 to 100 degrees in Fredonia, Kanab and the lower red rock elevations, to a delightful 70 to 80 degrees in the higher elevations of the forest. The southwestern monsoon season delivers summer thunderstorms and rain from early July through early September. Winters are mild at the lower elevations (4700 feet) in our communities, with highs in the 30s and 40s, and lows in the teens and 20s.

Higher elevations on the forest often see four or more feet of snow. Government housing is available. Additionally, rental houses and apartments are available in Fredonia and Kanab ranging from \$500 to \$1,000/month.

<http://kanab.utah.gov/>

<http://www.fredoniaarizona.com/>

To Apply:

1. For more information about this vacancy, please contact Edward Hiatt, North Zone FMO at 928-643-8101 or email erhiatt@fs.fed.us reference North Zone Assistant Fire Management Officer in the subject line.
2. Interested individuals should apply using the AVUE system. Apply for the position using the Open Continuous Register # PERM-OCR-462-10/11-AFMO-G or # PERM-OCR-462-10/11-AFMO-DP.

Outreach Response Form

North Zone Assistant Fire Management Officer

North Kaibab Ranger District, Fredonia, AZ

Respond no later than August 31st, 2011

Name: _____

Email Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____

Current Agency or Forest: _____

Current Job Title, Series and Grade: _____

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- Reinstatement Eligible_____
- Person with Disability_____
- Veterans Readjustment_____
- Disabled Veteran w/30% Compensable Disability_____
- Veterans Employment Opportunities Act of 1998_____
- Former Peace Corps Volunteer_____
- Student Career Experience Program_____
- Other_____

Your response to this outreach is important in helping us determine the interest in this vacancy. We appreciate your interest.

Please fax, email, or mail to:

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