



Payette National Forest 2012 Temporary Jobs Listing

Position Title: Forestry Technician – Fire Lookout
Number of Positions: 1, budget dependent
Location: Council, ID
Salary Range: \$13.41 - 15.00/hour
Estimated Start & End Date: June 17 through October 21, 2012
Application Due Date: February 22, 2012
Government Housing Available (Y or N): Yes - \$4.20/day when not in residence at the lookout
Duties: Act as lead lookout for the zone. Assist in time and attendance records, lookout check-in procedures, and coordinate with Zone duty officer. Assists and advises district suppression personnel in fire suppression activities. Plots locations of fires using specialized equipment. Evaluates changing fire weather conditions by observation and interpretation of data from weather instruments. Advises district personnel and Forest dispatch of anticipated changes. Warns personnel of possible weather changes that may affect them. Monitors approaching lightning storms and gives estimates of arrival times and probable locations affected. Observes ground strikes, reports resultant fires, and records storm path to assist in observation for hold over fires. Follows established safety routines when lightning storms are present. Provides fire detection services for other fire suppression agencies in the area. Monitors neighboring agencies' radio frequencies to keep abreast of situations. Operates a radio communications center which connects with other lookouts, Forests, agencies, and the Forest's central dispatch. Must understand and accurately process information that includes aspects of forestry work, public safety, medical emergencies, weather observations, law enforcement, etc. Maintains the lookout station and grounds in a neat and orderly manner. Performs routine maintenance on the facility. Serves as a key contact to the public who visit the lookout. Promotes fire prevention by accurately informing visitors of laws, policies, regulations, current fire conditions, and precautionary measures that must be followed. Monitors air quality of Forest and surrounding wilderness. Maintains photo records and written logs identifying the source and duration of smoke plumes. Lives at a remote station without electricity or running water, and may be expected to stay without resupply for up to 21 days.
Position Requirements: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Valid State Drivers License
Link to USAJobs.gov announcement: OCRT-462-4-LOOK-DT
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