

# OUTREACH NOTICE

*Temporary Seasonal Positions*



**USDA FOREST SERVICE  
INTERMOUNTAIN REGION, R4  
ASHLEY NATIONAL FOREST  
FLAMING GORGE RANGER DISTRICT  
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The Flaming Gorge Ranger District of the Ashley National Forest is currently advertising temporary seasonal (three to six month) employment opportunities for the 2012 field season. A variety of jobs are available in visitor information services, facilities maintenance, and recreation. The final number and types of positions filled will depend on staffing needs and budget. **It is recommended that you apply as soon as possible, as hiring will begin in March.** Some government housing is available for these positions.

Duty Stations will be either Manila, Utah or Dutch John, Utah, as specified for each position. These positions will be seasonal, not to exceed 1039 hours. Some of these positions may be filled under STEP (Student Temporary Employment Program) hiring authority. In order to participate in the STEP program, the student must be in good standing and accepted or enrolled in a degree seeking program. If you feel you would qualify to work under the STEP program, contact us to discuss your qualifications and to make arrangements to provide transcripts / resume. For more information on the STEP program go to <http://www.fs.fed.us/fsjobs/step.html>. Otherwise, follow the instructions listed below and apply for positions online through AVUE.

The following positions will be advertised under the Nationwide Open Continuous Recruitment (OCR) announcements that can be found at [www.avuedigitalservices.com](http://www.avuedigitalservices.com). These are temporary seasonal positions. All positions are located on the Flaming Gorge Ranger District of the Ashley National Forest. In order to be considered for any of these jobs you **MUST** select the correct Duty Station (as indicated for each position) as an AVUE location.

<b>Job: Visitor Services Information Assistant</b> <b>Series:</b> GS-1001-04 <b>Announcement #:</b> <a href="#">OCRT-1001-4-VIS-DT</a> <b>Duty Station:</b> Manila, UT	<b>Job: Forestry Aid / General (Rec Sites)</b> <b>Series:</b> GS-0462-03 <b>Announcement #:</b> <a href="#">OCRT-462-3-GEN-DT</a> <b>Duty Station:</b> Dutch John, UT
<b>Job: Forestry Aid / General (Facilities)</b> <b>Series:</b> GS-0462-03 <b>Announcement #:</b> <a href="#">OCRT-462-3-GEN-DT</a> <b>Duty Station:</b> Manila, UT	<b>Job: Forestry Tech / Recreation (River)</b> <b>Series:</b> GS-0462-04 <b>Announcement #:</b> <a href="#">OCRT-462-4-REC-DT</a> <b>Duty Station:</b> Dutch John, UT
<b>Job: Forestry Tech / Recreation (VIS / Interp)</b> <b>Series:</b> GS-0462-05 <b>Announcement #:</b> <a href="#">OCRT-462-5-REC-DT</a> <b>Duty Station:</b> Dutch John, UT	<b>Job: Forestry Tech / Recreation (Rec Sites)</b> <b>Series:</b> GS-0462-05 <b>Announcement #:</b> <a href="#">OCRT-462-5-REC-DT</a> <b>Duty Station:</b> Dutch John, UT

## **About the Positions:**

### **VISITOR INFORMATION SERVICES**

#### **Visitor Services Information Assistant - Receptionist (GS-4) - Manila**

Temporary seasonal position. Serves as a front-line representative for the Flaming Gorge Ranger District and National Recreation Area, located in Manila, Utah. We are seeking a confident, innovative self starter who will work at the administrative headquarters providing information to visitors on recreational opportunities, directions and routes of travel, distributing brochures and other printed material; etc. receives and directs callers and visitors.

Provides information about the organization, its functions, activities, and personnel. Arranges displays of informational materials in the reception area. Orders and maintains publications for public distribution. Answers queries and disseminates information to the public on the transactions processed or mission oriented business of an agency program. These positions perform daily activities to support the operation of information centers, including sales, inventory, and equipment maintenance. Performs checkout, sales clerk, customer assistance, or other clerical duties involved in the retail sale of merchandise or stock items.

Performs office automation work requiring the use of software applications and computer equipment. Analyses and collects current recreational data and updates information, and visitors with current conditions. Performs duties related to the sale, application and administration of forest product permits. Opens and closes office for daily operations. Other duties may include traffic control, radio dispatching, and office administration.

#### **Forestry Tech / Recreation - VIS / Interpretive Programs (GS-5) - Dutch John**

Temporary seasonal position. Staff and operate Red Canyon Visitor Center, Swett Ranch, and other Visitor Centers as needed. Prepare for and provide interpretive and conservation education programs to the recreating public.

### **FACILITIES MAINTENANCE**

#### **Forestry Aid / General (GS-3) - Manila**

Temporary seasonal position. Assist in various maintenance and repair tasks throughout the District. Assist in placement, adjustment, maintenance, and storage of docks on the reservoir.

### **RECREATION**

#### **Forestry Tech / Recreation - River (GS-4) - Dutch John**

Temporary seasonal position. Administers and provides oversight on recreation activities on the Green River and Little Hole National Recreation Trail. Includes light maintenance for recreation sites and river camps, including cleaning fire rings, hauling garbage, painting picnic tables, cleaning restrooms etc. Ensures compliance with Forest and District regulations by establishing a presence and conducting ongoing enforcement, with focus on Recreation Use Passes. Requires possession or ability to acquire both Forest Protection Officer and Collection Officer certifications.

## **Forestry Aid / General (GS-3) and Forestry Tech / Recreation - Rec Sites (GS-5) - Dutch John**

Temporary seasonal positions. Performs light maintenance for recreation sites, including cleaning fire rings, hauling garbage, painting picnic tables, cleaning restrooms etc. Ensures compliance with Forest and District regulations by establishing a presence and conducting ongoing enforcement, with focus on Recreation Use Passes. Requires possession or ability to acquire both Forest Protection Officer and Collection Officer certifications.

### **CONTACTS FOR POSITIONS**

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## **About the Ashley National Forest, Flaming Gorge District, and Vicinity**

### **THE REGION:**

The Intermountain Region (R4), with offices located in Ogden, Utah provides administrative oversight and support to thirteen National Forests in Utah, Nevada, western Wyoming, and southern and central Idaho and covers 31,816,792 acres in the National Forest System. There are approximately 2200 permanent employees in Region 4.

### **THE FOREST:**

Ashley National Forest – <http://www.fs.fed.us/r4/ashley>.

The Ashley National Forest encompasses almost a million and a half acres in northeastern Utah and southwestern Wyoming. The Forest lies in three geographical areas: the east-west range of the Uinta Mountains, the Wyoming Basin, and the Tavaputs Plateau. Elevations range from 6,000 feet to over 13,500 feet.

Steep canyons, high mountain peaks, glaciated basins, large open meadows, and desert badlands, all contain a rich diversity of vegetation and wildlife. The grasses and shrubs of the high mountain desert are replaced by pinion and juniper as the elevation rises. In mid-elevation areas, aspen dominates and becomes mixed with conifer. Higher up, the vegetation changes to conifer forest composed of lodgepole pine, fir and spruce. Grasses, forbs, and stunted, twisted conifers called krumholtz are found above timberline. Wildlife is abundant. Larger species include bear, mountain lion, moose, elk, mule deer, pronghorn antelope, and bighorn sheep.

Neighboring lands include the Uinta and Ouray Indian Reservation to the south, the Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest to the west and north, and a mixture of Bureau of Land Management, State of Utah, and private lands to the east and southeast. Compared with other National Forests, relatively few small tracts of private land lie within the Ashley's boundary.

The Ashley has three major recreation attractions of national significance:

The High Uintas Wilderness, established by Congress in 1984, comprises nearly one-half million acres in the Wasatch-Cache and Ashley National Forests. Within the wilderness, elevations range from

8,000 feet to 13,582 feet at the top of Kings Peak, the highest in Utah. The Uinta Mountain range runs east to west, from the Wasatch Mountains into Colorado. Pre-Cambrian rock formed from sediments laid down 600 million years ago makes up the core of the range. Glacial activity carved deep canyons and left a spectacular landscape of rolling, treeless peaks and stratified ridges interspersed with broad meadows and numerous lakes. The mountains below timberline are covered by coniferous forest, and meadows have streams and lush vegetation. The Wilderness is accessible from July through September, via numerous trails.

The Flaming Gorge National Recreation Area lies in the northeast part of the Forest. Flaming Gorge Reservoir is 91 miles long, and offers outstanding fishing and boating opportunities. Record-breaking German brown trout and large lake and rainbow trout have been taken from its waters.

The Green River below Flaming Gorge Dam is a world-famous trout stream. The Little Hole National Recreation Trail parallels the river 7.3 miles from the Dam to the Little Hole Recreation Complex. Rafting this section of the Green River is a favorite pastime of visitors.

Flaming Gorge Dam and Red Canyon Visitor Centers have exhibits to acquaint visitors with the area. The Flaming Gorge National Recreation Area has three marinas and many campgrounds, some of which are open year-round.

#### **LOCATION:**

Daggett County has two towns, Manila and Dutch John, each with a year-round population of about 200. On busy summer holiday weekends the population can swell to several thousand. Manila is a popular summer home area and is becoming increasingly popular as a summer retirement destination. Essential services are available; such as, groceries, fuel, lodging dining, ambulance, preventive healthcare, and law enforcement. A wider variety of services are available within 50 miles.

#### **SERVICES:**

Accommodations, Camping, Restaurants and Snack Bars, Groceries, Gifts and Souvenirs, Fishing tackle and Licenses, Horseback Riding, Mountain Bike Rentals, Raft Rental, Scenic Float and Boat Trips, Fishing Guides, Boat Rentals, Marinas, Auto/Boat Fuel Services, and Great Hiking Trails are just some of the many services available in Dutch John.

#### **DAGGETT SCHOOL DISTRICT AND DAGGETT COUNTY:**

<http://www.daggettcountry.org>

Daggett School District is located in Daggett County Utah, nestled against southern Wyoming and western Colorado. About 80% of the land is administered by the US Forest Service or the Bureau of Land Management. Daggett County has the smallest population (approx. 900) in Utah, and our district, with approximately 150 students, is likewise the smallest in the state. Like other rural Utah counties, we are experiencing a declining population. Nevertheless, Daggett County is a wonderful place to raise a family. Our three schools include Manila Elementary, Flaming Gorge Elementary and Manila Jr.-Sr. High School. Our schools also serve students from McKinnon and Washam Wyoming, areas which lie just north of the state line.

#### **HEALTH CARE:**

A doctor (fulltime) and dentist (intermittent) are in Manila to see patients. Dentists, doctors and medical centers, are available in Rock Springs, Green River, and Vernal. Hospitals are located in Rock Springs and Vernal. Manila and Dutch John are served by volunteer EMT's, ambulance, and emergency 911. A volunteer fire department serves the area and law enforcement is handled through the Daggett County Sheriff's Department.

#### **CULTURAL EVENTS:**

Presentations are organized by local groups, such as high school and drama clubs. The 4th of July features fireworks celebration in Dutch John and the annual Daggett Daze celebration fills the Labor Day weekend with a variety of activities.

**CHURCHES:**

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints is available in Manila and Dutch John, along with a Baptist church in Manila. Many other denominations are available in Rock Springs, Green River and Vernal.

**RECREATION OPPORTUNITIES:**

Boating and fishing are major recreational activities available in the area. In addition to world-class lake trout (mackinaw), Flaming Gorge Reservoir provides excellent fishing for rainbow and cutthroat trout, kokanee salmon, small-mouth bass, and catfish. The Green River below the Dam is recognized as one of the finest trout streams in the world. Hiking and rafting are also popular on the river. The north slope of the Uinta Mountains provides numerous trout streams and lakes for those who like a more remote experience.

There are three marinas on the Reservoir and two lodges in the high country providing a variety of services. Community sports such as basketball, baseball, and volleyball are popular in the county.

Wildlife species in the area include elk, bighorn sheep, deer, antelope, bear, mountain lion, moose, three species of grouse, chukar, osprey, both bald and golden eagle, and river otter.

Cross-country skiing and snowmobiling, as well as mountain biking and hiking are enjoyed in the Flaming Gorge area.

**CLIMATE:**

Elevation - 6300 Ft.

Length of growing season - 90 to 100 days (Approx. June 1 - Aug. 30)

Average summer temperature - 80 to 85 degrees

Average winter temperature - 20 degrees

How hot can it get - few days above 90 degrees (usually July/ August)

How cold can it get – minus 20 degrees (rare) (usually Dec./Jan.)

Annual precipitation - 8 to 10 inches

Does the wind blow a lot - yes (usually from passing cold fronts)

Humid or dry - dry

**ECONOMIC BASE:**

Agriculture, including farming, cattle, and sheep, is the economic base. A new jail to house state prisoners was recently constructed and will provide some job opportunities. Many residents travel distances of 60 to 80 miles daily to the trona mines located near Green River and Rock Springs, Wyoming.

Businesses in Manila include a grocery store, one deli-convenience market, two service stations, two restaurants, three motels, and a KOA park.

Dutch John has two gas station / fast food / convenience stores, and there are two lodges with restaurants located approximately 6 miles away in the Greendale area of Utah.

**HOUSING:**

Government housing may be available in Manila. There are few homes for sale in Manila and Dutch John. For current realty information, contact local real estate agencies.