



...OUTREACH NOTICE...

Biological Technician and Forestry Technician

Region 6 (Oregon and Washington)

Diamond Lake District

February 27, 2012

This Outreach Notice is open to current employees and non-employees alike.

The Diamond Lake Ranger District may be filling any/all of the following positions:

- Up to two GS-404-5, Biological Science Technician (Wildlife) positions
- Up to two GS-404-6, Biological Science Technician (Wildlife) position

All positions are seasonal positions (maximum tour of 1039 hours) with a duty station of the Diamond Lake Ranger District.

Duties:

Position duties include fieldwork in support of District resource management projects and include field data collection, wildlife and habitat condition surveys, and habitat enhancement activities. Required duties include backcountry travel in remote locations, in uneven terrain and in adverse weather conditions. Job duties are frequently physically demanding, requiring the ability to lift moderately heavy objects (such as hay bales or 50 lbs fertilizer bags) throughout the work assignment. Successful applicants must also possess a valid state driver's license and be able to attain a federal driver's license within 1 month of reporting to work.

District Information

The Diamond Lake Ranger District is the easternmost of the four districts which comprise the Umpqua National Forest, located in the southern Cascade Range of Oregon. The District covers a large portion of northeastern Douglas County. Administrative headquarters is located at Toketee Ranger Station, 60 miles east of Roseburg, which is the nearest full-service city. Please note that these positions are located on a remote work station. The advantage of this location as a worksite are employees are living right in the middle of some of the most scenic landscape in the West, with a wide variety of outdoor recreational opportunities literally just outside your front door. The disadvantages include being a fair commute away from urban related activities, such as movies, grocery stores, shopping centers, etc.

Housing

Most of the temporary employees at Toketee live in one of the four remodeled bunkhouses complete with cooking and laundry facilities. Each bunkhouse is furnished with range, refrigerator, freezer, showers and laundry facilities. There is a communal kitchen for each bunkhouse and a common room for eating and relaxing. Each bedroom is furnished with bed, mattress and locker. In years of high occupancy, some bunkhouse residents may share bedrooms with another person. Employees should bring their own bedding or sleeping bag, food and personal items such as soap, etc.

Limited non-bunkhouse accommodations may be available in vacant single family dwellings. Opportunities for this housing are very limited and are generally allocated to employees with special housing needs and longer term seasonal employees.

Recreational Opportunities

Diamond Lake Ranger District offers a broad spectrum of outdoor recreation opportunities. With mountain lakes, fishing, hunting, ski area, wilderness and a number of high summits, there is something for nearly everyone.

Dispersed recreation for the person who wants to get away from it all includes hiking on the 194 miles of trails on the District which includes 30 miles of the Pacific Crest Trail. The maintained trails offer day or overnight hiking through forests, passing near quiet lakes and meadows, and leading upward to rocky summits, some of which surpass 8000' elevation. Developed recreation sites include playground, picnic areas and several developed and dispersed campgrounds that have the capacity to accommodate up to 4,910 people. There are 102 privately-owned summer homes located at Diamond Lake.

The District is a major attraction for deer and elk hunters in the fall. Fishing for native rainbow and introduced German brown trout is very popular on the 17 lakes, four reservoirs and approximately 780 miles of streams. Fly angling only is allowed on a 35 mile section of the North Umpqua River from Rock Creek to Soda Springs.

Winter recreation includes 45 miles of nordic ski trails in the Lemolo and Diamond Lake areas. Approximately 175 miles of groomed motorized winter trails open up the winter landscape to those wishing to tour by all-terrain vehicle or snowmobile.

Lemolo Lake Resort is a year round resort with the following services: rental cabins, RV park with hook-ups, grocery store, boat rentals, fishing charter boat, lounge, restaurant, and gas station.

Diamond Lake Lodge is open year round with the following services: rental cabins and motel units, two grocery stores, boat rentals, fishing charter boat, bicycle rentals, ski rentals, public fee showers, laundromat, lounge, two restaurants, pizza parlor, and two gas stations. There is a RV park with full hook-ups at Diamond Lake. Permittees operate Mt. Bailey alpine skiing. Horseback riding corrals are situated at the Howlock Mountain trailhead near Diamond Lake and are permittee-operated also.

Climate and Topography

Elevations on the Ranger District range from about 1600' above sea level along the North Umpqua River at Eagle Rock to 9182' at the summit of Mt. Thielsen near the southeast corner of the Ranger District. Diamond Lake is about 5150', Lemolo Lake about 4125', Toketee Lake about 2450' and the Ranger Station about 100 feet higher.

The climate in the area varies due to the extremes in the altitude. Summers are dry with occasional rainy periods and daytime temperatures range from high 80's to the 90's and rarely over 100 degrees. Thunderstorms are expected from June to October. Winters are cool and moist with annual precipitation of about 50" at the Ranger Station and approximately 80" in the mountains. There is snow in most areas with winter temperatures ranging from 0 to 45 degrees. Some years the snow will come and go at the Ranger Station while other years we accumulate up to 5' and have a "snow pack" for the entire winter.

Miscellaneous Facts and Mileage

Dry Creek is a little community 12 miles west of the Ranger Station. It consists of a store with loan-out paperbacks, video rentals, gas pumps, a fountain, hot popcorn and a microwave for use in heating premade foods such as burritos. The store carries a wide variety of items but no fresh vegetables or meats. There is also some permanent housing and rental cabins and an RV park at Dry Creek.

Idleld Park is 40 miles west of the Ranger Station with a population of approximately 200 people. Conveniences there include the local Post Office, store with video rentals, lodging, florist and gift shop, two restaurants, and a bed and breakfast.

Glide is 43 miles west of the Ranger Station with a population of approximately 1000 people. It has stores, churches, gas stations, restaurants, bank, North Umpqua Ranger Station, elementary school, junior high and high school, and more.

Roseburg is the closest full service community **60 miles** west of the Ranger Station. It has a population of approximately 21,000 people with shopping malls, hospitals, stores, restaurants, schools, churches, Post Office, library, community college, golf courses, fitness centers, YMCA, gas stations, theatres, bus depot, small airport and more.

FOR MORE INFORMATION...

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APPLICATION PROCESS

Forest Service temporary hiring is managed through the AVUE website, found at:
<https://www.avuecentral.com/casting/aiportal/control/mainmenu>.

Referral lists are generated from "Open and Continuous" Registers (OCR's). To be considered for these positions, you must file an application to the following OCR's:

Biological Science Technicain (Wildlife) GS-404-5 ----- OCRT-404-5-WLDLF-DT
Biological Science Technicain (Wildlife) GS-404-6 ----- OCRT-404-6-WLDLF-DT

AND you must identify the location of Idleld Park, Douglas County, Oregon as a desired work location.