

COCONINO NATIONAL FOREST

FLAGSTAFF RANGER DISTRICT

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Vacancy Announcement

Lead Forestry Technician (Timber Sale Preparation)

GS-0462-6

(no promotion potential)

Filling 2 Positions from this announcement

The Coconino National Forest is filling two GS-462-6 Lead Forestry Technician (Timber Sale Preparation) positions. These are permanent full-time positions and are located in Flagstaff, AZ. The Flagstaff Ranger District has two offices, the main district office on Highway 89 and Mormon Lake Work Center Office on Lake Mary Road, both in Flagstaff.

For more information about the position or the District, please contact Joe Luttmann, District Timber Staff, at (928) 214-2451 or jluttmann@fs.fed.us

HOW TO APPLY:

Interested candidates can apply for these positions at:

<http://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/315579000> for government merit candidates, announcement number 12-03040008-2985G-BL or

<http://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/315590700> for non-government demo candidates, announcement number 12-03040008-2985DP-BL. Specify Flagstaff, Arizona as the location. These job announcements opened on May 1, 2012 and will close on May 28, 2012.

ABOUT THE POSITION:

These positions are located at the Mormon Lake Work Center, Coconino National Forest and has responsibilities in Timber Sale Preparation on the Flagstaff Ranger District.

DUTIES:

Independently applies silvicultural prescriptions, aerial photographs, maps, environmental analysis reports and marking guides to designate harvest timber in a variety of stand conditions. Traverses harvest unit boundaries, road locations, and determines area. Serves as a Qualified Timber Cruiser and performs routine timber cruising and sample surveys to determine the quantity of timber in a given area by species, type, and quality. Uses tools such as relaskop, diameter tape, compass, prism, clinometer, and power equipment in performing timber-related work.

Performs inventory work that involves well-established procedures and measures and records field data for cruising purposes.

ASSISTANT SUPERVISORY ROLES:

Assists the Marking Crew Foreman with the supervision of field crews. Articulates and communicates to the team the assignment, project, problem to be solved, deadlines and time frames for completion.

FLAGSTAFF, ARIZONA: The Coconino National Forest is headquartered in Flagstaff, Arizona. The Forest Service has three offices in Flagstaff: the Supervisor's Office, Mormon Lake Work Station and the Peaks Office. Most people think of Arizona as being hot, with desert vegetation. This is certainly not true in Flagstaff. Flagstaff is surrounded by the Coconino National Forest, which in this area the primary vegetation is ponderosa pine with a variety of wildlife and snow-capped San Francisco Peaks in the winter.

The Main access into Flagstaff is Interstate 40 from the east or west, Interstate 17 from the south and Highway 180 or Highway 89 from the North.

ALTITUDE/CLIMATE: Flagstaff lies approximately 7,000 feet above sea level, thus bringing us very mild summers and generally lots of snow in the winter. Freezing temperatures occur usually from the first of October to the middle of May. Average precipitation is 21" per year with most of this coming in the winter as snow and in July & August with the monsoon rains. We have a short growing season, which restricts the growth of a local vegetable garden.

POPULATION: The population of Flagstaff and surrounding area is approximately 60,600 (2009).

COMMUNITY ECONOMY/HOUSING COSTS: Some of Flagstaff's major employers include; the tourism industry, Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff Medical Center, Flagstaff Unified School District, W.L. Gore, Government Agencies like the Forest Service, National Park Service and Coconino County.

Government housing is not available. Private housing, rentals and apartments are available but thought to be in the expensive range depending on where you are moving from. Single family homes usually range in prices at from \$250,000 to \$450,000 (average home). Two bedroom apartments can range at the lower end from \$1000 to \$1200 a month to rent.

SCHOOLS: Flagstaff has 20 public schools including two high schools, eight charter schools, several parochial and private learning centers, scattered throughout the community. Northern Arizona University and Coconino Community College provide a wide array of higher education.

SHOPPING: Flagstaff has an array of shopping centers, including; Target, Wal-Mart, Walgreens and other drug stores, auto parts stores, hardware stores, Home Depot, Sam's Club and the Flagstaff Mall with a wide selection of department stores such as, Dillard's, Sears and JC Penny's. There are a wide variety of grocery stores and several health food stores. Downtown Flagstaff recently experienced revitalization as part of the Main Street USA program, and features many quaint shops and galleries.

MEDICAL FACILITIES: Flagstaff Medical Center is the primary care facility in town. The town also hosts a great number of physicians, specialists, including a mental health hospital, cancer center and several elderly care facilities. The hospital has numerous ambulances and a life flight helicopter which services the area. There are also numerous optometrists, chiropractors, dentists and veterinarians in the community.

CHURCHES: All denominations of religion are well represented in the Flagstaff area.

RECREATION: Flagstaff sports a multitude of outdoor and indoor recreation activities. Horseback riding, mountain biking, hunting, fishing, camping, hiking, cross-country skiing, down-hill skiing, indoor pools,

soccer, basketball, little league, baseball, softball and volleyball, are available for all age groups at very little cost to the individual.

City of Flagstaff Parks and Recreation Department and the Flagstaff Athletic Center East and West offer numerous indoor and outdoor activities. In addition, there is an extensive Urban Trail System throughout the area connecting the city with the forest trails system.

Nearby National Parks and Monuments include: the Grand Canyon, Montezuma Castle, Walnut Canyon, Monument Valley, Painted Desert and Sunset Crater.

TRANSPORTATION: Flagstaff has a commercial airport, which offers incoming and outgoing flights daily to Phoenix, Arizona, and train service by Amtrak. There are numerous car rental agencies in town as well as a city bus transportation system and commercial cab services.

LIBRARY: There is a community library in town which also serves the outlying communities with a book-mobile which visits different areas of the community on different days of the week. The university also has a full service library.

MOTELS AND RESTAURANTS: There is no shortage of motels or restaurants in the community. Being located at the junction of two interstates (I-40 and I-17) and being the major community south of the Grand Canyon makes Flagstaff an ideal location for major motels and restaurants.

CONTACTS FOR MORE INFORMATION: Flagstaff Chamber of Commerce Website (www.flagstaff.az.us) or email (chamber@flagstaff.az.us). Coconino National Forest Website (www.fs.fed.us/r3/coconino) or call us at (520) 527-3600.

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