

Outreach Notice



FREMONT-WINEMA NATIONAL FORESTS

Sale Preparation Crew Member

GS-0462-06

Winter Rim Zone

Paisley or Silver Lake Ranger District

The Position

The primary function of this position is to assist the Lead Forestry Technician by being part of the presale crew on a daily basis. The Winter Rim Zone has a very active sale program and the crew is generally busy from March through November and sometimes longer. This position would involve layout of sale units, GPS of units, marking and tree designation, timber cruising, leading employees on a daily basis and other duties as assigned. Some of the work occurs in the winter and requires off-road winter travel, often on snowmobiles. As the need arises, the employee may also be asked to help with special forest products and post-sale implementation such as timber stand improvement, contract administration and reforestation. Good communication skills and a positive attitude and strong work ethic are highly desirable along with knowledge of forest measurement tools and techniques. Full performance of this position includes completion of a certification as a region six cruiser. Applicants who possess or are working on this certification should highlight that in their resume and as part of the outreach response.

PLEASE NOTE: The purpose of this Outreach Notice is to determine the potential applicant pool for this position and to establish the appropriate recruitment method and area of consideration for the advertisement. (e.g., target grade or multi-grade and forest-wide, service-wide, region-wide, government-wide, or DEMO). Responses received from this outreach notice will be relied upon to make this determination.

Reply by date is: October 15, 2012

Hearing impaired applicants may contact TDD numbers (541) 947-6384. Collect calls will not be accepted. You may pick up an outreach at the Fremont-Winema Forests Headquarters at 1301 South G Street, Lakeview, Oregon 97630.

Fremont-Winema National Forests

The Fremont-Winema National Forests is located in Southern Oregon. Administratively combined in 2002, the Fremont-Winema National Forests offer 2.3 million acres to explore!

The heavily timbered western portion of the Forest is bordered by the crest of the Cascade Mountain Range and Crater Lake National Park, and stretches east into the Klamath River Basin. Near the floor of the Basin, the Forest opens to vast marshes and meadows associated with Upper Klamath Lake and the Williamson River.

To the north and east, extensive stands of ponderosa and lodgepole pine grow on deep pumice and ash that blanketed the area during the eruption of Mt. Mazama (now Crater Lake) nearly 7,000 years ago. The eastern portion of the Forest offers expansive views, dramatic cliffs, and solitude. The area is known as Oregon's Outback, and provides the self-reliant recreationist the opportunity to discover nature in a rustic environment. If you prefer, you can find yourself by yourself.

The Forest's Headquarters is located in Lakeview, Oregon and shares the Lakeview Interagency Office with the Bureau of Land Management's Lakeview District. The Forest's seven Ranger Districts are managed as four geographical zones; Lakeview and Bly Ranger Districts (SE Zone), Silver Lake and Paisley Ranger Districts (NE Zone), Chemult Ranger District (NW Zone), and Chiloquin and Klamath Ranger Districts (SW Zone).

More than 300 species of fish and wildlife can be found on the Forest. Game animals most often hunted include mule deer, Rocky Mountain elk, and pronghorn antelope. The Forest's diverse habitats also support a variety of wildlife including numerous water and wetland birds including eagles, osprey, and herons. Several varieties of trout inhabit Forest lakes and streams, and a few lakes support warm-water fish, such as large-mouth bass. Small populations of some of the larger predators (black bear, mountain lion, and bobcat) and a great variety of non-game species can also be found.

The Oregon-California border marks the Forest's southern boundary, while its eastern boundary includes part of the Warner Mountain Range. To the north and west, the Forest is bounded by the Deschutes, Rogue River-Siskiyou, and Umpqua National Forests. Three wilderness areas can be found across this Forest; Mountain Lakes, Sky Lakes and Gearhart Mountain Wilderness. Picturesque rock formations cap most of the high-elevation ridge tops.

About the Paisley Ranger District

The Paisley Ranger District office is located along Highway 31 in southeastern Oregon. It is one of seven Districts on the Fremont-Winema National Forests in southeastern Oregon. The District encompasses approximately 330,000 acres of land, and employs 25 year-round employees and approximately 15 seasonal employees. Vegetation is characterized by juniper and sage communities at the lower elevations. Ponderosa pine is the dominant forest cover type on the District, with some lodge pole pine and white bark pine at the highest elevations. Topography on the District is gently rolling to steep. Streams are abundant, as the District includes the headwaters of the Chewaucan, Sycan, and North Fork Sprague rivers. The primary focus of the District is recreation and fire management.

Paisley has warm, dry summers with temperatures often exceeding 85 degrees Fahrenheit. Winters are generally cold, and a snow pack one to three feet deep may accumulate and persist throughout winter. Annual precipitation averages 15-20 inches.

Residents enjoy a wide range of outdoor activities both winter and summer, including fishing, snowmobiling, camping, biking, cross-country skiing, hunting, wildlife viewing, as well as community activities.

Private housing in Paisley is limited, however, government housing is available at a housing compound located within a half mile of town. Bunkhouse facilities are available for a minimal charge.

About the Town of Paisley

Paisley is located in the south central portion of Oregon, approximately 45 miles north of Lakeview and 130 miles south of Bend, at an elevation of 4,300 feet. Paisley is a small community with a population of about 249. Paisley is also home to the Annual Mosquito Festival.

Community services consist of three churches, a community wellness center, a post office, public library, a community center, and one school teaching grades kindergarten through 12th grade. Several small businesses in the community include two small grocery stores, the Summer Lake Hot Springs, a feed store which includes an ice cream parlor, a greenhouse, and a motel.

Students in good academic standing and who have successfully completed 4 years high school in Lake County, have the opportunity to apply for the Collins-McDonald fund or Daly fund. These funds can provide up to 4 years of tuition assistance. For more information, you can go to, <http://www.edfed.com/planning-college/scholarship-indetail.php?id=121>.

The local newspaper is the [*Herald and News*](#) from Klamath Falls. The [*Lake County Examiner*](#) and the [*Oregonian*](#) from Portland are also available by subscription.

Recreation opportunities include wilderness backpacking, hiking, boating, camping, sailing, fishing, biking, snowmobiling, cross country skiing, horseback riding, hunting, and bird watching. Downhill skiing and sledding opportunities are available at Mt. Batchelor Ski Park in Bend, Oregon, located approximately three hours away, or at Warner Canyon Ski Area just a few miles outside of Lakeview.

About the Silver Lake Ranger District

The Silver Lake Ranger District office is located in south central Oregon in the north part of Lake County. It is one of seven Districts on the Fremont-Winema National Forests. The District includes about 500,000 acres of intermingled public and private lands, and employs 20-25 permanent employees and 10-15 temporary employees.

Silver Lake has warm, dry summers with day-time temperatures generally in the 80-90's, dropping to the 40-50 degree range at night. Winters are generally cold, with snow depth averaging six inches to a foot at lower elevations and four to six feet at the highest elevations on the District. Annual precipitation averages 10-12 inches. The landscapes in this area are scenic and diverse with timbered mountains, juniper woodlands, sage deserts and sand dunes, lakes, streams and marshes, volcanic flows, towering rim rock and lush agricultural areas. The primary land management focus of the District is vegetation and habitat restoration, including stream and riparian restoration, use of prescribed fire, and livestock management programs.

Residents enjoy a wide range of outdoor activities both winter and summer. Popular activities include fishing, camping, mountain biking, hunting, wildlife viewing, horseback riding, snowmobiling, cross-country skiing and ATV recreation.

Government housing is contingent upon availability. Real estate is available, however, houses to rent or buy are limited in number. Prices for rentals range from \$250 to \$500. An average three-bedroom home sells in the price range of \$65,000 to \$95,000. Bunkhouse facilities are available for a minimal charge.

About the Silver Lake Community

Silver Lake is located in the south central portion of Oregon, at an elevation of 4,381 feet. It is about 96 miles northwest of Lakeview and 80 miles southeast of Bend. Silver Lake is a small community of 250 residents, whose economy is primarily based on agriculture and outdoor-based recreation.

Community services in Silver Lake and nearby Christmas Valley (18 miles away) include several churches, a community wellness center, a small medical clinic, two post offices, two public libraries, and a community center. A modern school, educating grades kindergarten through 12, serves the communities of Fort Rock, Christmas Valley, and Silver Lake.

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Small businesses in the two communities include two grocery stores, two gas stations, several restaurants, a Laundromat, an auto repair business, a golf course, several motels, a feed and farm supply store, a plant nursery, and several gift shops.

For more information about both the communities, contact the Lake County Chamber of Commerce at:

Lake County Chamber of Commerce

126 North E Street

Lakeview, OR 97630

Phone: (541) 947-6040, or toll-free: 1-877-947-6040

The Chamber of Commerce may also be contacted via their website at:

<http://www.lakecountychamber.org/>

Bend Chamber of Commerce

777 NW Wall St # 200

Bend, OR 97701

(541) 382-3221

<http://www.bendchamber.org>

The purpose of this outreach notice is to inform prospective applicants of this upcoming opportunity and to determine interest in the position. To express interest in this position, please complete the following Outreach form and send (via mail or e-mail) to:

Fremont-Winema National Forests
Paisley Ranger District
Highway 31, PO Box 67
Paisley, OR 97636
Attention: Amber Shuffield
Email to: ashuffield@fs.fed.us

Responses must be received by October 15, 2012

For more information or technical questions about the position contact:
Amber Shuffield, Sale Preparation Supervisor at (541)943-4469

The Fremont-Winema National Forests is an equal opportunity employer.

Thank you for your interest in our vacancy!

OUTREACH NOTICE RESPONSE FORM

FREMONT-WINEMA NATIONAL FOREST

WINTER RIM ZONE

PAISLEY AND SILVER LAKE RANGER DISTRICTS

SALE PREP CREW MEMBER GS-0462-06:

NAME:

ADDRESS:

MAILING ADDRESS:

TELEPHONE NUMBER:

EMAIL:

AGENCY EMPLOYED WITH:

TYPE OF APPOINTMENT: PERMANENT TEMPORARY OTHER

CURRENT REGION/FOREST/DISTRICT:

CURRENT SERIES AND GRADE:

CURRENT POSITION TITLE:

IF NOT A CURRENT PERMANENT EMPLOYEE (CAREER OR CAREER
CONDITIONAL), ARE YOU ELIGIBLE TO BE HIRED UNDER ANY OF THE
FOLLOWING SPECIAL AUTHORITIES?

(PLACE AN X BY APPROPRIATE SELECTION)

PERSON WITH DISABILITIES

VETERAN'S REEMPLOYMENT ACT

DISABLED VETERAN'S W/ 30% COMPENSABLE DISABILITY

VETERAN'S EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES ACT OF 1998

FORMER PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEER

OTHER

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST IN OUR VACANCY!