



OUTREACH NOTICE

USDA Forest Service
Fishlake National Forest
Fremont River Ranger District
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GS-462-6 Forestry Technician (Wildland Fire Module Lead Crewmember)

The Position:

The Fishlake National Forest, Fremont River Ranger District will soon be seeking applicants for 1 **GS-0462-6 Forestry Technician, Wildland Fire Module Lead Crewmember** positions. This position is a permanent, part time position, 13/13 tour of duty. Transfer of station costs has been approved.

Applications must be received by January, 2, 2013 to receive consideration during the spring 2013 hiring. Some positions require specific experience and fire qualifications. **IQCS record is mandatory to be considered for IFPM positions and must be attached to the application.**

This position will be filled using the Open Continuous Roster in USA JOBS with the following Open Continuous Roster#: **OCRP-462-HANDCREW-6G (MERIT) & OCRP-462-HANDCREW-6DP (DEMO)**. This announcement is advertised through the USA JOBS website <http://www.usajobs.gov>. **Please be sure to specify Loa, Utah as your desired location.** For further information about the hiring process please visit the [Region 4 Fire Hire](#) program.

The Fremont River Wildland Fire Module works within the Fishlake N.F., Fremont River R.D. of the Central Utah Interagency Fire Organization. The primary responsibility of this position is to provide operational leadership similar to the Squad Boss position on wildland fire suppression, fires managed for multiple objectives, fuels management and wildland urban interface/intermix situations.

Specific Duties for the WFM Lead Crewmembers include: filling in as the Assistant Module Supervisor when needed. Collects fire data, fuel loading, and fuel moisture, mapping projects, and maintaining records, Also assisting with implementation of field projects. Monitors work quality and quantity and reports directly to the Assistant Module Supervisor, participates in and when needed oversees the safety program for the module. Assists with management of assigned property by procuring, maintaining an inventory. Ensures crew and equipment readiness pre and post assignment.

This is an arduous wildland firefighting position, taking and passing the Work Capacity Test at the ARDUOUS level is a "condition of employment." The Arduous fitness (Pack) Test consists of a three (3) mile hike, within forty-five (45) minutes, while carrying a forty-five (45) pound pack. **FIREFIGHTER RETIREMENT COVERAGE:** This is a primary/rigorous firefighter position under the provisions of 5 USC 8336(c) (CSRS) and 8412(d) (FERS)

About Loa, Utah

Loa, the county seat of Wayne County, was established in 1878 by approximately forty families. The name Loa was suggested by Franklin W. Young, who had once resided in the Hawaiian Islands and had been impressed with Mauna Loa, Hawaii's second highest mountain, whose name means high, large, and powerful. The city is located in a broad valley west of the Fremont River, 205 miles south of Salt Lake City and 50 miles southeast of Richfield; its elevation is approximately 7,000 feet. Loa has 3 service stations, 1 food town grocery store, 1 hardware store, 1 farm supply store, 2 restaurants, 1 drive-in, 1 motel, 1 post office, 1 bank and the county courthouse. Loa's population is around 600 people.

Climate and Weather

Loa lies at 7000 feet elevation, and the climate is moderate. Snowfall does occur in winter, but rarely more than 12 inches. Average annual precipitation for Loa is about twelve inches per year. Summer temperatures average between 40 to 85 degrees, winter temperatures -10 to 40.

Housing

Average housing rent is about \$450. Homes range from \$70,000 to \$250,000. Building lots range from \$20,000 to \$75,000. Government housing is not available.

Shopping

Wayne County shopping facilities includes a variety of businesses and merchants to meet most needs, including a grocery store, lumber, hardware, bank, automotive repair, motels and restaurants.

The neighboring community of Richfield, 45 miles west of Loa, offers additional shopping including grocery, furniture and clothing stores, and a Super Wal-Mart, Kmart, Sears, and JC Penney catalog sales merchant. Other facilities include a variety of restaurants/cafes, plenty of motels, gas stations, banks, credit unions, two privately owned campgrounds and many other small shops and services.

Education

The elementary school is located in Loa, middle school, and high schools are located in Bicknell. Richfield 45 miles west is home to the southern campus of Snow College and offers a variety of academic and technology classes.

Health Care

Wayne Community Health Center serves the health care needs of the people who live in, or visit Wayne County. The Clinic is staffed by a Physician full time, as well as two Physician Assistants and a Behavioral Health Therapist.

In addition to a full service pharmacy, the clinic can conduct many laboratory tests, x-rays and other diagnostic tests in-house. A health care provider is on-call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to serve your emergency health care needs. The clinic has a 3 bed emergency treatment room.

Churches

Denominations include the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, First Baptist, and Roman Catholic.

Civic and Service Organizations

Civic and service organizations include Lions Club, American Legion, Daughters of the Utah Pioneers, 4-H and scouting clubs.

Social and Cultural Events

Several cultural events occur in the summer they include Torrey Apple Days 4th of July Parade, Wayne County Fair, and Bicknell International Film Festival.

Recreation

There are numerous mountain bike, ATV, and equestrian trails and camping sites for the outdoor enthusiast. Fishing areas include Fish Lake, Forsyth Reservoir, Mill Meadows Reservoir, Lower Bowns Reservoir and many small lakes located on the Boulder and Thousand Lake Mountains. Also, winter sports including cross-country skiing, and snowmobiling. The Manti-La Sal and Dixie National Forests lie directly adjacent to the Fishlake National Forest. Arches, Bryce, Canyon lands, Capitol Reef, and Zion National Parks are within a day's drive of Wayne County. The Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument is also nearby.

Additional Information

For more information about the area, please contact or visit the Wayne County Travel Council, 683 East Hwy 24 Torrey, Utah (435) 425-3365.

For full consideration the supervisor should be contacted by the candidate to discuss the job.

Anyone interested in further information should complete the attached Outreach Response Form and return it to sbnelson01@fs.fed.us or contact Stony Nelson, Module Supervisor at 435-896-1092.

