

**EARLY ALERT OUTREACH NOTICE**  
**USDA Forest Service**  
***Salmon-Challis National Forest***  
***Lost River Ranger District***  
***Forestry Technician, Hand Crew Leader***  
***Reply Due: December 30, 2012***

The Lost River Ranger District of the Salmon-Challis National Forest will shortly be filling a Hand Crew Squad Leader position. The purpose of this Notice is to inform employees prior to advertising the position to determine if there are any interested and qualified individuals. This position will be filled through the R4 Fire Hire system.

**If you are interested in this position, please return the enclosed form to:**

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Lost River Ranger District                      OR wmarcroft@fs.fed.us  
P.O. Box 507  
Mackay, Idaho 83251

If you have questions about the position call Will Marcroft @ 208-588-3416

**About the Position**

***Series/Grade:*** GS-462-05/06

***Title:*** Hand Crew Leader

***Location:*** Lost River Ranger District, Mackay, Idaho

***Tour of Duty:*** Permanent Part Time (WAE 13-3)

***Housing:*** There are no government quarters available.

***Duties:*** Serves as an experienced crew leader/wildland firefighter on a five person hand crew or other related fire suppression crews. Performing fire suppression and/or fuels management duties under the most adverse conditions of climate, fuels and terrain participates in fire training as cadre member as well as crew member. Other duties may include but are not limited to, fuels inventory work, hazardous fuels reduction projects, assisting other District functions with project work, facilities maintenance and equipment maintenance.

### **About the Forest**

The Salmon-Challis National Forest covers over 4.3 million acres in east-central Idaho. The Forest is bordered by the Bitterroot Range of the North Central Rockies on the east, and to the west includes over 1.3 million acres of the Frank Church--River of No Return Wilderness. Rugged and remote, this country offers adventure, solitude and breathtaking scenery. The Forest also contains Mt. Borah, Idaho's tallest peak and the Wild & Scenic Salmon River and the Middle Fork of the Salmon River. The area is a highly desired destination for hunting, fishing, white-water rafting and the many other popular recreational pursuits. The Forest features diverse, rough topography, geologic conditions, and miles of streams with anadromous fish spawning habitat creating a highly complex land management situation. The Forest Office is located in Salmon, Idaho. There are currently seven administrative units on the Forest: Salmon-Cobalt, Challis, Yankee Fork, Lost River, Middle Fork, North Fork and Leadore Ranger Districts. For more information about the Forest or the Districts, visit the website - [www.fs.fed.us/r4/sc](http://www.fs.fed.us/r4/sc)

### **The Lost River Ranger District**

The Lost River Ranger District covers over 800,000 acres of National Forest System Lands in the Big and Little Lost River Valleys. The district hosts the 19 tallest peaks in Idaho, including all 9 of the peaks over 12,000 feet. Mt. Borah, Idaho's tallest peak at 12,662 feet is located on the district. There are over 40 high mountain lakes on the district, most in the Pioneer Mountains. The district has 6 developed campground and 1 group campground which is available by reservation only. The City of Mackay is very small with a population of approximately 600. There is a movie theater, and a grocery store, several cafes, two banks, a variety store, a gift shop, a movie video store, several salons, and two gas stations. There are several churches; LDS, catholic and community.

### **Idaho**

The territory of Idaho was established in 1863 and became the nation's 43rd State in 1890. It has topography of incredible diversity including lava fields and 1.5 billion year-old rock cliffs. Within Idaho's 83,000 square miles are more than 200 mountain peaks of 8,000 feet or higher, as well as North America's deepest gorge, Hells Canyon. It is the most heavily forested of the Rocky Mountain States and its name, "Gem State," is derived from the fact that more than 80 varieties of gemstones are found within its borders. The low cost of living and the high quality of uncrowded serenity and beauty make everyday life in Idaho something to be treasured.

