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# OUT REACH ANNOUNCEMENT

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## Lost River Hand-crew Senior Firefighter GS-0462-04-05 Handcrew Senior Firefighter

The Lost River Ranger District on the Salmon/Challis National Forest is planning to fill a Handcrew Senior Firefighter position for the 2013 Field season.

The position is assigned to the Lost River Hand-crew Module from approximately May through November. This notification is being circulated to inform prospective applicants of this opportunity and how to apply.

### About the Position

Series/Grade: GS-0462-04/05

Title: Forestry Technician (Handcrew Senior Firefighter)

Location: Lost River Ranger District in Mackay, Idaho.

Tour of Duty: Permanent Seasonal 13/13 – Guarantee of 13 pay periods per year

Housing: There are no governments quarters available.

**Duties:** Serves as a Senior Firefighter on a five person Handcrew module, or other related fire suppression activities. 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.

This position participates in wildland firefighting activities. Based on the type of work performed, 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.

### To apply:

If you are interested, the vacancy announcement for this position is posted on the U.S. Government official website for employment opportunities at [www.usajobs.gov](http://www.usajobs.gov) vacancy announcement OCP-462-IHC/HCREW-4/5G & DP. This is an Open Continuous vacancy announcement. For consideration for this position applicants must have applications submitted before December 31, 2012.

### **To Select Location:**

Applicants will need to select Mackay, Idaho as duty location to be considered. Any Questions please contact Will Marcroft South Zone AFMO (208) 588-3416.

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

Will Marcroft, South Zone AFMO  
Lost River Ranger District  
P.o. Box 507  
Mackay, Id. 83251

By e-mail: [wmarcroft@fs.fed.us](mailto:wmarcroft@fs.fed.us)

By fax: (208) 588-3429

## 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 Supervisors Office is located in Salmon, Idaho. There are currently six administrative units on the Forest: Salmon-Cobalt, Challis/ Yankee Fork, Lost River, Middle Fork, North Fork and Leadore Ranger Districts. For more information on the Forest or 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. Also you can visit <http://mackayidaho.com/> for more information.

### ***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 un-crowded serenity and beauty make everyday life in Idaho something to be treasured.

