



Ashley National Forest Seasonal Employment Outreach Wildland Firefighter Positions 2013

The Ashley National Forest will be filling seasonal wildland firefighter positions for the 2013 fire season. The fire positions will be located on Duchesne, Vernal, and Flaming Gorge Ranger Districts. Engine positions will be located in Duchesne, Manila, and Dutch John, Utah. Handcrew positions will be located in Vernal and Duchesne, Utah. A dispatch position will be located in Vernal, Utah.

The vacancy announcements for these positions are posted on the United States Forest Service official website for application submittal: <https://www.usajobs.gov/>

These are Open Continuous vacancy announcements. Those that wish to be considered for available positions must apply to the corresponding announcement number by close of business on ***February 1, 2013***. All applicants who have applied to announcements on or before the listed date and are found to be qualified will be referred for consideration.

Applicants must apply to vacancy announcement numbers listed below:

Ashley National Forest Fire Management Seasonal Positions 2013		
Duty Station	Announcement Number	Description
Duchesne, Dutch John, Manila, Vernal	<u>TEMPOCR-0462-03-FIRE-DT</u>	Forestry Aid (Firefighter) GS-0462-03-Fire General
Duchesne, Vernal	<u>TEMPOCR-462-4-HANDCREW-DT</u>	Forestry Technician GS-0462-04-Hand Crew
Duchesne, Vernal	<u>TEMPOCR-0462-5-HANDCREW-DT</u>	Forestry Technician GS-0462-05-Hand Crew
Duchesne, Dutch John, Manila	<u>TEMPOCR-0462-4-ENGINE-DT</u>	Forestry Technician GS-0462-04-Engine
Duchesne, Dutch John, Manila	<u>TEMPOCR-0462-05-ENGINE-DT</u>	Forestry Technician GS-0462-05-Engine

Typical Length of Season: May thru October

Housing: Seasonal government housing facilities are available at Duchesne (Stockmore Guard Station), Manila, and Dutch John. There is no seasonal government housing in Vernal.

INFORMATION ABOUT THE SEASONAL FIRE POSITIONS:

JOB TITLE: Forestry Aid (Fire)
DEPARTMENT: Department Of Agriculture
AGENCY: Forest Service
ANNOUNCEMENT NUMBER: TEMPOCR-0462-3-FIRE-DT
SERIES AND GRADE: GS-0462-03
SALARY: \$11.95/Hour
POSITION INFORMATION: Full Time – Temporary
DUTY LOCATIONS: Manila, Dutch John, Vernal, and Duchesne
WHO MAY APPLY: US Citizens; no prior Federal experience is required
KEY REQUIREMENT: Males born after 12/31/59 must be registered with the Selective Service

DUTIES:

Serves as a member of fire crew assigned to suppress the full range of wildland fires independently performing recurring fire suppression duties. Performs assignments as a wildland firefighter in developing a working knowledge of fire suppression and fuels management techniques, practices and terminology. This consists of fireline construction, use of pumps and engines, hose lays using appropriate nozzles and nozzle adjustments in the effective use of water and additives, working in and around aircraft such as helicopters, safety rules, and basic fire behavior. Searches out and extinguishes burning materials by moving dirt, applying water by hose or backpack pump, etc. Chops brush, fells small trees, and moves dirt to construct fireline using various hand tools such as axes, shovels, Pulaskis, McLeods, and may use power tools including chainsaws and portable pumps to control spreading of wildland fire and/or to prepare control lines prior to burning. Patrols fireline to locate and extinguish embers, flareups, and hotspot fires that may threaten developed firelines. Cleans, reconditions, and stores fire tools and equipment.

JOB TITLE: Forestry Technician (Handcrew)
DEPARTMENT: Department Of Agriculture
AGENCY: Forest Service
ANNOUNCEMENT NUMBER: TEMPOCR-0462-4-HANDCREW-DT
SERIES AND GRADE: GS-0462-04
SALARY: \$13.41/Hour
POSITION INFORMATION: Full Time – Temporary
DUTY LOCATIONS: Vernal, and Duchesne
WHO MAY APPLY: US Citizens; no prior Federal experience is required
KEY REQUIREMENT: Males born after 12/31/59 must be registered with the Selective Service

DUTIES:

Serves as a skilled crewmember on a hand crew assigned to suppress the full range of difficulty and complexity of fires. Utilizes a variety of specialized tools, equipment, and techniques while actively suppressing wildfires, such as a Pulaski, shovel, McLeod, ax, and chainsaw to control the spread of wildfire. Performs basic fireline activities such as line construction, lopping and scattering of fuels using hand tools and holding, patrolling, monitoring, and mop-up operations. Moves dirt, chops brush, small trees, etc. to construct fire line. Is responsible for observing the rules of wildland firefighting safety. Applies practices and techniques to minimize resource damage. Independently or with one or two other crewmembers may be assigned to carry out specialized assignments such as tree falling, backfire, and burnout. Serves as a skilled wildland firefighter on an organized crew during prescribed burns, monitoring and controlling the fire, and collecting data on fire weather and fire behavior.

JOB TITLE:	Forestry Technician (Handcrew)
DEPARTMENT:	Department Of Agriculture
AGENCY:	Forest Service
ANNOUNCEMENT NUMBER:	TEMPOCR-0462-5-HANDCREW-DT
SERIES AND GRADE:	GS-0462-05
SALARY:	\$15.00/Hour
POSITION INFORMATION:	Full Time – Temporary
DUTY LOCATIONS:	Vernal, and Duchesne
WHO MAY APPLY:	US Citizens; no prior Federal experience is required
KEY REQUIREMENT:	Males born after 12/31/59 must be registered with the Selective Service

DUTIES:

Serves as an experienced firefighter on a 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. Performs the duties of a fully qualified chain saw operator and chainsaw repair technician. Certified in the use of helicopter long lines. Performs all aspects of wildland and prescribed fire operations including preparation, ignition, monitoring, holding, and mop up. Collects fire weather data, fuel and/or soil moisture samples, maps projects, and maintains records. May on occasion serve as driver of a crew carrier. Gathers and considers information on weather data, topography, fuel types, and fire behavior in responding to wildland fire incidents. When positioning and deploying personnel and equipment, recommends best approaches and practices to use in protection of the values at risk. Responsible for operation and maintenance of specialized equipment used to respond to wildland and prescribed fire situations.

JOB TITLE: Forestry Technician (Engine)
DEPARTMENT: Department Of Agriculture
AGENCY: Forest Service
ANNOUNCEMENT NUMBER: TEMPOCR-0462-4-ENGINE-DT
SERIES AND GRADE: GS-0462-04
SALARY: \$13.41/Hour
POSITION INFORMATION: Full Time – Temporary
DUTY LOCATIONS: Manila, Dutch John, and Duchesne
WHO MAY APPLY: US Citizens; no prior Federal experience is required
KEY REQUIREMENT: Males born after 12/31/59 must be registered with the Selective Service

DUTIES:

Serves as a skilled crewmember on an engine. As an assistant on a wildland fire engine, works as a trainee engine operator driving the engine, operating the pump and making hose lays under the direction of the engine foreman. May drive and operate the fire engine or apparatus. Responsible for positioning the fire engine or apparatus for safe and efficient operation. Services and makes minor repairs to engine; inspects, checks and services accessories such as pump, water lines, tank, reels, or pump power plant; and keeps in fire readiness. Inspects, cleans and stows hose. Makes emergency repairs and adjustments of pumps while in use. Receives training and performs simple engine operation duties. Performs basic fireline activities such as line construction, hose layout, operations of pumps and accessories, lopping and scattering of fuels using hand tools and holding, patrolling, monitoring, and mop-up operations. Moves dirt, chops brush, small trees, etc. to construct fire line. Is responsible for observing the rules of wildland firefighting safety. Applies practices and techniques to minimize resource damage. Independently or with one or two other crewmembers may be assigned to carry out specialized assignments such as tree falling, backfire, and burnout, mobile and stationary engine attack. Serves as a skilled wildland firefighter on an organized crew during prescribed burns, monitoring and controlling the fire, and collecting data on fire weather and fire behavior.

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DUTIES:

Serves as senior wildland firefighter on a wildland fire engine. Independently performs engine operation duties in the suppression of wildland fires and prescribe fire. Drives engine to fire locations in consideration of safety of crew and equipment, and how the equipment can be best used in control and mop-up operations. Personally performs and may direct others in starting pump engine, priming pump, adjusting engine speed and pump valves, laying hose, and using appropriate nozzles and nozzle adjustment in effective use of water and additives. Has specialized duties such as water handling specialist, fully qualified chain saw operator, or responsible for maintenance of. Accomplishes emergency repairs as necessary to permit continued use of equipment. In those instances when the apparatus cannot be used effectively in suppressing the fire, the incumbent takes aggressive control action in attacking the fire, using other means. Participates in wildland fire and safety training in the techniques, practices, and methods of fire suppression and in the safe, efficient operation and use of tools, equipment, and vehicles used in fire line activities, with emphasis on those used in the particular function assigned.

WORK CAPACITY TEST (WCT) for Wildland Firefighters:

This position participates in wildland firefighting activities. Based on the type of work performed, TAKING and PASSING the WCT at the ARDUOUS level is a "condition of employment." The Arduous fitness (Pack) test requires completing a three (3) mile hike within forty-five (45) minutes, while carrying a forty-five (45) pound pack. You are strongly encouraged to consult with your physician and begin training immediately if applying for this position. This announcement constitutes the required 30 days advanced notice for testing requirements.

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Temporary Employment Contacts
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About Ashley National Forest

The Ashley National Forest encompasses 1.3 million acres in northeastern Utah and southwestern Wyoming. The Forest lies in three geographical areas: the east-west range of the Uinta Mountains, the Wyoming Basin, and the Tavaputs Plateau. Elevations range from 6,000 feet to 13,528 feet.

Steep canyons, high mountain peaks, glaciated basins, large open meadows, and desert badlands, all contain a rich diversity of vegetation and wildlife. The grasses and shrubs of the high mountain desert are replaced by pinyon and juniper as the elevation rises. In mid-elevation areas, aspen dominates and becomes mixed with conifer. Higher up, the vegetation changes to conifer forest composed of ponderosa pine, lodgepole pine, fir, and spruce. Grasses, forbs, and stunted, twisted conifers called krumholtz are found above timberline. Wildlife is abundant. Larger species include black bear, mountain lion, moose, elk, mule deer, pronghorn antelope, mountain goats, and bighorn sheep. Neighboring lands include the Uinta and Ouray Indian Reservation to the south, the Wasatch-Cache-Uinta National Forest to the west and north, and a mixture of Bureau of Land Management, State of Utah, and private lands to the east and southeast. Compared with other National Forests, relatively few small tracts of private land lie within the Ashley's boundary.

The Ashley has three major recreation attractions of national significance:

The High Uintas Wilderness, established by Congress in 1984, comprises of nearly one-half million acres in the Wasatch-Cache-Uinta and Ashley National Forests. Within the wilderness, elevations range from 8,000 feet to 13,582 feet at the top of Kings Peak, the highest mountain in Utah. The Uinta Mountain range runs east to west, from the Wasatch Mountains into Colorado. Pre-Cambrian rock formed from sediments laid down 600 million years ago makes up the core of the range. Glacial activity carved deep canyons and left a spectacular landscape of rolling, treeless peaks and stratified ridges interspersed with broad meadows and numerous lakes. The mountains below timberline are covered by coniferous forest, and meadows have streams and lush vegetation. The Wilderness is accessible from June through October, via numerous trails.

The Flaming Gorge National Recreation Area lies in the northeast part of the Forest. Flaming Gorge Reservoir extends almost 90 miles into Wyoming, and offers outstanding fishing and boating opportunities. Record-breaking German brown trout and large lake and rainbow trout have been taken from its waters.

The Green River below Flaming Gorge Dam is a world-famous blue-ribbon trout stream. The Little Hole National Recreation Trail parallels the river 7.3 miles from the Dam to the Little Hole Recreation Complex. Rafting this section of the Green River is a favorite pastime of visitors. Flaming Gorge Dam and Red Canyon Visitor Centers have exhibits to acquaint visitors with the area. At Ute Lookout Tower, the only lookout tower in the State of Utah, visitors can enjoy a

spectacular view and learn about the life of early Forest Service lookouts. The Flaming Gorge National Recreation Area has three marinas and many campgrounds, some of which are open year-round. Sheep Creek Geological Area is located about 5 miles south of Manila, in the Flaming Gorge National Recreation Area. Sheep Creek Canyon is filled with twisted and folded rock formations that expose 600 million years of the earth's history. Towering rock spires flank the road.