

## **2013 Temporary Employment OUTREACH NOTICE**

*Caribou-Targhee National Forest*



The Caribou-Targhee National Forest will be advertising and filling several temporary positions for the 2013 summer season. This notification is being circulated to inform prospective applicants of this upcoming opportunity.

***The Open Continuous Vacancy Announcements for these positions are posted on [www.USAjobs.gov](http://www.USAjobs.gov) under the announcement numbers listed below. Applicants interested in these positions may select from the following duty locations when applying in USAjobs. Applicants may choose as many duty locations as they are interested in.***

***Idaho Falls, ID  
Swan Valley, ID  
Driggs, ID  
Pocatello, ID  
Malad, ID***

***Soda Springs, ID  
Montpelier, ID  
Ashton, ID  
Island Park, ID  
Dubois, ID***

| <b>Job Title</b>                               | <b>Pay Plan</b> | <b>Series</b> | <b>Pay Grade</b> | <b>Announcement Number (USAJobs)</b>        |
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| Biological Science Technician (Plants)         | GS              | 0404          | 7                | TEMPOCR-0404-7-PLANTS-DT                    |
| Engineering Equipment Operator Helper          | WG              | 5716          | 5                | TEMPOCR-5716-05-OPT HLPR-DT                 |
| Forestry Aid (Fire)                            | GS              | 0462          | 3                | TEMPOCR-0462-03-FIRE-DT                     |
| Forestry Aid (General)                         | GS              | 0462          | 2                | TEMPOCR-0462-2-GEN-DT                       |
| Forestry Aid (General)                         | GS              | 0462          | 3                | TEMPOCR-0462-3-GEN-DT                       |
| Forestry Technician (Engine)                   | GS              | 0462          | 4                | TEMPOCR-0462-4-ENGINE-DT                    |
| Forestry Technician (Engine)                   | GS              | 0462          | 5                | TEMPOCR-0462-05-ENGINE-DT                   |
| Forestry Technician (Engine)                   | GS              | 0462          | 6                | Contact Montpelier & Soda Springs Districts |
| Forestry Technician (Fuels)                    | GS              | 0462          | 4                | TEMPOCR-0462-4-FUELS-DT                     |
| Forestry Technician (Fuels)                    | GS              | 0462          | 5                | TEMPOCR-0462-5-FUELS-DT                     |
| Forestry Technician (Fuels)                    | GS              | 0462          | 6                | Contact Ashton/Island Park District         |
| Forestry Technician (Handcrew)                 | GS              | 0462          | 4                | TEMPOCR-0462-4-HANDCREW-DT                  |
| Forestry Technician (Handcrew)                 | GS              | 0462          | 5                | TEMPOCR-0462-5-HANDCREW-DT                  |
| Forestry Technician (Handcrew)                 | GS              | 0462          | 6                | Contact Teton Basin District                |
| Forestry Technician (Helitack)                 | GS              | 0462          | 4                | TEMPOCR-0462-04-HLTK-DT                     |
| Forestry Technician (Helitack)                 | GS              | 0462          | 5                | TEMPOCR-0462-5-HLTK-DT                      |
| Forestry Technician (Recreation)               | GS              | 0462          | 4                | TEMPOCR-462-4-REC-DT                        |
| Forestry Technician (Recreation)               | GS              | 0462          | 5                | TEMPOCR-462-5-REC-DT                        |
| Forestry Technician (YCC Leader)               | GS              | 0462          | 6                | Contact Teton Basin Ranger District         |
| Forestry Technician (Reforestation)            | GS              | 0462          | 4                | TEMPOCR-0462-4-TSI-DT                       |
| Forestry Technician (Timber Stand Improvement) | GS              | 0462          | 6                | Contact Ashton/Island Park District         |
| Forestry Technician (Timber)                   | GS              | 0462          | 5                | TEMPOCR-0462-5-TSI-DT                       |
| Forestry Technician (Trails)                   | GS              | 0462          | 4                | TEMPOCR-462-4-REC-DT                        |
| Forestry Technician (Trails)                   | GS              | 0462          | 5                | TEMPOCR-462-5-REC-DT                        |
| Forestry Technician (Wilderness)               | GS              | 0462          | 5                | TEMPOCR-462-05-WLDN-DT                      |
| Information Receptionist                       | GS              | 0304          | 2                | Contact Westside District                   |
| Information Receptionist                       | GS              | 0304          | 4                | Contact Ashton/Island Park District         |
| Laborer  | WG              | 3502          | 2                | TEMPOCR-3502-02-LABOR-DT                    |
| Range Technician                               | GS              | 0455          | 3                | TEMPOCR-0455-03-RANGE-DT                    |
| Range Technician                               | GS              | 0455          | 5                | TEMPOCR-0455-5-RANGE-DT                     |
| Range Technician                               | GS              | 0455          | 4                | TEMPOCR-0455-4-RANGE-DT                     |

**Position descriptions are available on [www.USAJobs.gov](http://www.USAJobs.gov) for each of these announcements.**

**Federal Hourly Pay Scale:**

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| <b>GS-2 \$10.95</b> | <b>GS-6 \$16.73</b> |
| <b>GS-3 \$11.95</b> | <b>WG-2 \$11.71</b> |
| <b>GS-4 \$13.41</b> | <b>WG-5 \$16.11</b> |
| <b>GS-5 \$15.00</b> |                     |

**To be considered for these positions, you must apply to one of the OCR Vacancy Announcements listed above.**

**Applications must be submitted by 11:59pm on February 1, 2013.**

**All applicants who have applied to the announcements before the listed date and are found to be qualified in the quality group will be referred to the selecting official for consideration.**

**There is no requirement to reply to this outreach notice.**

Limited housing is available for seasonal positions on a first come, first serve basis.

For further information concerning positions offered at each district, please contact the individual district office.

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| Palisades Ranger District           | (208) 523-1412 |
| Teton Basin Ranger District         | (208) 354-2312 |
| Dubois Ranger District              | (208) 374-5422 |
| Ashton/ Island Park Ranger District | (208) 652-7442 |
| Soda Springs Ranger District        | (208) 547-4356 |
| Montpelier Ranger District          | (208) 847-0375 |
| Westside Ranger District            | (208) 236-7500 |

**About the Forest:**

The Caribou-Targhee National Forest, headquartered in Idaho Falls, ID, encompasses about 3 million acres in southeastern Idaho and western Wyoming. The Forest stretches in an arc from the Montana state line on the Continental Divide at the north end, along the Idaho-Wyoming state line on the east, to the Utah state line on the south. The Forest borders both Yellowstone and Grand Teton National Parks and is actively involved with issues in the Greater Yellowstone Area. The Curlew National Grasslands, administered as part of the Caribou-Targhee, are the only National Grasslands in the Intermountain Region. The Forest has about 200 permanent employees and includes seven Ranger Districts. Two world famous fly fishing streams (Henry's Fork and South Fork of the Snake River) are located within the Forest, as well as very diverse wildlife

populations (including grizzly bear, lynx and gray wolf), spectacular scenery and a variety of resource programs and challenges.

***The Districts:***

The **Palisades Ranger District** encompasses about 450,000 acres in southeastern Idaho and western Wyoming. The District stretches from the Big Hole Mountains at the north end, along the Idaho –Wyoming state line on the east, to McCoy Creek on the south. The District has about 24 permanent employees and several seasonal employees. The world famous fly fishing stream, South Fork of the Snake River is located within the District, as well as very diverse wildlife populations (including elk, deer, bear, mountain goats, lynx, and grey wolf), spectacular scenery, and a variety of resource programs and challenges. **Duty stations on the Palisades Ranger District include Idaho Falls and Swan Valley, ID.**

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The **Teton Basin Ranger District** lies in southeast Idaho and western Wyoming. The District Office is located in Driggs, Idaho. Driggs is 70 miles east of Idaho Falls, Idaho, and 35 miles west of Jackson Hole, Wyoming. The District administers land in both Idaho and Wyoming surrounding Teton Valley, and includes the Teton Mountain Range on the west, the Palisades and Snake Mountain Ranges on the south and the Big Holes Mountain Range to the east. The 264,000-acre District includes the Jedediah Smith Wilderness, Grand Targhee Ski and Summer Resort, five developed campgrounds, 320 miles of trails and 200 miles of groomed snowmobile trails. The area provides extensive backcountry recreation activities for both summer and winter. Wildlife species include grizzly bear, peregrine falcon, lynx, wolverine, elk, deer, moose, and a variety of forest species. Grazing by both sheep and cows occur on 20 allotments. The timber program averages less than 1 MMBF yearly and includes commercial and public firewood and wood products. **The duty station for the Teton Basin Ranger District is Driggs, ID.**

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The **Ashton/Island Park Ranger District** is about 700,000 acres with a large recreation and fire program. The fuels program is intertwined with the timber and reforestation programs. The district houses 30 permanent employees and up to 30 seasonal employees at **two duty stations, Ashton and Island Park, ID.** The recreation program has 11 developed campgrounds, 500 miles of snowmobile trails, ATV trails, Jedediah Smith and Winegar Hoe Wilderness areas and world class trout fisheries. The District is home to all the Yellowstone mega fauna. Cattle and sheep graze on 22 allotments. The District is the gateway to Yellowstone National Park.

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The **Dubois Ranger District** spans over 100 miles (462,000 acres) on the Idaho side of the Continental Divide immediately south of Montana. The District covers the country from the Yellowstone Ecosystem in the east to the Bitterroot Range of the Rocky Mountains and the Birch Creek Valley in the west. High topographic relief, from 5,100 feet to just over 12,000 feet, characterizes the three mountain ranges of the District: the Centennial, Beaverhead, and Lemhi mountains. **The duty station for Dubois Ranger District is Dubois, ID.**

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The **Westside Ranger District** has a permanent staff of 20 employees responsible for managing a complex and diverse resource program including large recreation, range, wildlife, fire and fuels programs. The District is also responsible for the Curlew National Grassland, the only National Grassland in the Intermountain Region. The District serves the community of Pocatello, home to Idaho State University, and Chubbuck, with a combined population of over 60,000. **Duty stations for the Westside Ranger District include Pocatello and Malad City, ID.**

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The **Montpelier Ranger District** administers 431,867 acres including a portion of the Cache National Forest north of the Utah-Idaho border. The district office is in Montpelier, Idaho. Twenty full time employees and approximately 30 additional seasonal employees administer 44 cattle and sheep allotments with 109 permittees, a timber program, active phosphate mines, and a large recreational program on the district. The most popular visitor and tourist attraction is Minnetonka Cave west of Bear Lake. There are sizeable herds of deer, elk, and moose, and a variety of fresh water fish species. The highest mountain is Meade Peak at 9,953 ft. There are several other peaks rising above the 9,000 foot level. **Duty station is Montpelier, ID.**

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Gold was discovered on the **Soda Springs Ranger District** in 1870, and active gold exploration and prospecting still occurs in the area; however, the mining emphasis is now shifted to phosphate mining. Large phosphate deposits located in the area are the result of an ancient inland sea. These rich deposits form the backbone for a prosperous phosphate industry centered around Pocatello and Soda Springs, ID.

The zone timber sale program offers approximately 2.5 million board feet of saw-timber per year and a variety of personal use programs such as, firewood, post and poles and Christmas tree sales. The District is home to the headwaters of the Blackfoot River, which has been designated by Idaho Fish and Game as an "Outstanding Resident Fish Resource" for its runs of Yellowstone cutthroat trout..

There are hiking trails, cross-country ski trails, as well as 400 miles of ATV trails and several snowmobile trails. Several large areas are closed to motorized vehicle for the satisfaction of those seeking escape from civilization. Other areas

are open to all forms of motorized recreation for those who are fond of that aspect of recreation. There are ample opportunities to observe elk, mule deer, moose, bald eagles, upland game birds and many other forms of wildlife. The endangered whooping crane once was a resident at the Grey's Lake Wildlife Refuge, adjacent to the Soda Springs District.

There are 30 permanent full time positions between the two Districts and typically 30 seasonals, and 3-4 YCC employees. The major programs, which are zoned with the Montpelier Ranger District, consist of Minerals, CERCLA, Range, Noxious Weed Management, Timber, Recreation, Trails, Fisheries, Wildlife and Fire/Fuels Management. **Duty station for the Soda Springs District is Soda Springs, ID.**

### **HOW TO APPLY:**

Go to <https://www.usajobs.gov>

**Step 1** – Create a USAJOBS account at [www.usajobs.gov](http://www.usajobs.gov). It is recommended that as part of your profile you set up automatic email notification to be informed when the status of your application changes.

**Step 2** - Create a Resume with USAJOBS or upload a Resume into your USAJOBS account. You may want to customize your resume to ensure it documents duties and accomplishments you have gained that are directly related to this position in order to verify that qualifications are met. In addition, your resume must support your responses to the online questionnaire (you may preview the online questionnaire by clicking on the link at the end of the How You Will Be Evaluated section of the job announcement).

**Step 3** - Search for the job announcement number. Please read the entire announcement and all the instructions before you begin. Click "Apply Online" and follow the prompts to complete the Occupational Questionnaire and attach any additional documents that may be required. Make sure you select a potential duty station. You can update your application or documents anytime while the announcement is open. Simply log into your USAJOBS account and click on "Application Status." Click on the position title, and then select "Update Application" to continue.