

OUTREACH NOTICE
USDA Forest Service
Salmon-Challis National Forest
North Zone Fire Organization
Forestry Technician Lookout
Reply Due: April 1, 2013

The North Zone Fire organization of the Salmon-Challis National Forest will shortly be filling seasonal fire lookout positions. The purpose of this Notice is to inform interested individuals prior to filling the position to determine if there are any interested and qualified individuals.

About the Position

Series/Grade: Forestry Technician - lookout GS-4 or Forestry Aid - Fire General GS-3

Title: Forestry Technician – lookout

Locations: Stanley, Idaho (Remote Lookout to be determined at later date)

Tour of Duty: Approximately June 1 thru September 30 Season conditions dependent

Housing: Employee will be housed at the Lookout

Duties: Serves as a remote Lookout in the detection of wildland fires. Assists fire dispatch through operation of radios, telephones and other necessary equipment to exchange information for fire weather and other forest suppression activities. Reports smoke and fire location, estimated size, and other pertinent information. Reads simple weather instruments and reports wind direction, wind speed, temperature, humidity, and fire behavior information. Keeps dispatcher and fire officials informed of current conditions.

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 on the Forest or Districts, visit the website - www.fs.fed.us/r4/sc/

About Salmon, Idaho (www.salmonidaho.com)

The City: Salmon is the heart of the Salmon River Valley, surrounded by three mountain ranges, situated at the junction of Idaho State Highway 28 and U.S. Highway 93, and at the forks of the Lemhi and Salmon Rivers. The city has a population of approximately 3,100 and is the seat of Lemhi County which has a population of 8,000. The main industries are ranching, mining, timber and recreation. Salmon is known as the "White Water Capital of the World" serving as the hub of personal and outfitter, jet boat and rafting river activities. At 4,000 feet elevation, the surrounding terrain varies greatly from rolling, arid hills to steep, forested slopes. For more information about the city and area, visit the website - www.salmonidaho.com

Climate: Salmon enjoys a dry, warm climate during the summer and fall months with daily highs averaging between 75 to 95 degrees, and nightly lows from 45 to 60 degrees. The climate in winter is ideal for snow sports, the lowest temperatures averaging from 14 to 25 degrees with occasional sub-zero readings.

Shopping and Services: Salmon is a self-contained community with a full variety of shopping, business, medical, and professional services. In addition to basic services, there are a variety of specialty shops and art galleries. Salmon also has nursing and residential care facilities, hospice, Child Development Center and a spectrum of social services. Most service clubs and associations are represented. The public library offers computer and other services, and there are two internet access providers.

Salmon has a Mayor, City Council, City Administrator form of government, with elected County Commissioners, and is under the protection of the City Police, County Sheriff's Department and local Fire Station.

Utilities that serve the city are the Idaho Power and Light Company and the Century Telephone of Idaho Inc.

Media include an AM/FM radio station, satellite and cable TV and the weekly Recorder-Herald newspaper.

Medical: The City of Salmon has a local 30-bed community hospital affiliated with the major hospital of Missoula, Montana, and provides Life-Flight helicopter, EMT, Search and Rescue units, physicians, dentists, optometrists, and also specialist affiliations with the Western Montana Medical Clinic.

Schools: A good variety of pre-schools and day-care centers are available in addition to the elementary, junior and senior high schools. The schools offer numerous extra-curricular activities and sports, and strive for quality education with creative, athletic, and scholastic achievements.

Transportation: Cart Bus Transportation is provided for seniors and other citizens, in-city as well as to larger, distant communities. Taxi service is available. The Salmon Valley Airport provides scheduled commuter flights and charter services, is equipped with an instrument landing system and can accommodate executive jets and other small aircraft. Major commercial airports are located within 160 miles.

Housing: There are five motels in Salmon and various bed and breakfast accommodations in the surrounding vicinity. Housing prices range from approximately \$50,000 to over \$150,000. Monthly rental for a typical three-bedroom home runs around \$700. Several real estate offices are available, some with national affiliations. There are also mobile home parks and two in-city campgrounds.

Churches: Salmon has an active church community, a Christian book and gift store, school, and fourteen churches representing a large variety of denominations.

Entertainment and Activities: A wide assortment of entertainment is provided by various organizations throughout the year. The Salmon Arts Council provides high-quality artistic events for the community presenting a wide range of performers in music, theater, and dance, visual art shows and sales, artist workshops, artist-in education residences and other programs for the local schools. Other celebrations include Fourth of July Salmon River Days, Lil' Britches Rodeo, Lemhi County Fair and Idaho Cowboy Poetry Gathering. Salmon also has numerous restaurants, Movie Theater, and a fitness center. Recreation facilities include a nine-hole golf course, tennis courts, bowling alley, baseball diamonds and an outdoor community swimming pool.

Recreation for Salmon and Challis Areas: The Salmon River and the Middle Fork of the Salmon River are renowned for white-water rafting, kayaking, floating and jet boating. Outfitter and guide services are offered and both Salmon and Challis serve as gateways to the Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness, encompassing 2.4 million acres. The primitive mountain area provides spectacular hunting (white-tailed and mule deer, elk, bighorn sheep, mountain goats, bear, moose, and cougar). Many species of game birds and also waterfowl can be found. Fishing (trout and steelhead) is open virtually all year. Miles of groomed trails and routes are prepared for cross-country skiing and snowmobiling while down-hill skiing, ice fishing and other winter fun can be enjoyed nearby. Salmon and Challis offer hiking and wilderness walks, camping and picnicking, rock hounding, prospecting, bird watching, photography, hot springs, back-

country air tours, guest ranches, mining ghost towns and museums, all adding to the immense opportunity for pleasure and adventure to be had by avid sportsmen and casual outdoor enthusiasts alike.

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 vacancy announcement

- Forestry Technician – Lookout GS-4, (OCRT-462-4-LOOK-DT ??)
- Forestry Aid - Fire General GS-3, (OCRT-462-3-FIRE-DT??)

Applicants will apply through USAJOBS digital services www.USAJOBS.com. This is an Open Continuous vacancy announcement. For consideration for this position applicants must have applications submitted in USAJOB on or before April 1, 2013

To Select Location:

Applicants will need to select North Fork Idaho as duty location to be considered. On the left margin when applying select **Applicant Information**. Then under **Preferred Location** select **Idaho** then the next pull down select **North Fork**.

Any Questions please contact:
Jim Edgren NZ AFMO 208-86502713

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

Jim Edgren
PO Box 180
North Fork ID 83466

By e-mail: jdedgren@fs.fed.us

By fax: (208) 865-2713

OUTREACH NOTICE FORM
Reply to Jim Edgren by April 1, 2013
Forestry Technician Lookout
SALMON-CHALLIS NATIONAL FOREST
NZ Fire Organization

NAME: _____

IBM
ADDRESS: _____

MAILING
ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE

NUMBER: _____

AGENCY EMPLOYED WITH: _____ USFS _____ BLM _____ OTHER

TYPE OF APPOINTMENT: _____ PERMANENT _____ TEMPORARY _____ TERM
_____ VRA _____ PWD _____ OTHER

CURRENT REGION/FOREST/DISTRICT: _____

CURRENT SERIES AND GRADE: _____

CURRENT POSITION TITLE: _____

IF NOT A CURRENT PERMANENT (CAREER OR CAREER CONDITIONAL) EMPLOYEE ARE YOU ELIGIBLE TO BE HIRED UNDER ANY OF THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL AUTHORITIES:

- _____ PERSON WITH DISABILITIES
- _____ VETERANS READJUSTMENT
- _____ DISABLED VETERANS W/30% COMPENSABLE DISABILITY
- _____ VETERANS EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES ACT OF 1998
- _____ FORMER PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEER
- _____ STUDENT CAREER EXPERIENCE PROGRAM
- _____ OTHER _____

Thank you for your interest in our Vacancy!