



## ~ ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ~

USDA FOREST SERVICE  
Boise National Forest, Emmett Ranger District  
Garden Valley Work Center – Garden Valley, ID

**Job Title: Forestry Technician (Recreation)**  
**Series/Grade: GS-0462-05**



**All applications MUST be submitted by  
February 19, 2013 to be eligible**

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**Announcement number:  
TEMPOCR-0462-5-REC-DT**



## ~~~~~ *Payette River Ranger – Recreation Technician* ~~~~~

*Tour of Duty – May 2013 to the end of September 2013*

The Emmett Ranger District is planning to fill a temporary (1039), GS-05 River Ranger position with a duty station of Garden Valley, Idaho. **Government housing is available for a daily stipend.** This notification is being circulated to inform prospective applicants of this upcoming opportunity.

### **Major Duties and Responsibilities**

The incumbent performs a variety of technical work in support of the Emmett District's river recreation program:

- Assures river recreation sites and areas are operated and maintained in accordance with operation and maintenance plans. Schedules daily activities and establishes maintenance schedules. Reports on conditions and use of sites and areas. Performs safety hazard analysis of river recreation use areas.
  - Maintenance work consists of, but not limited to: cleaning vault toilets, changing rooms, painting infrastructures, repairing/staining boat ramps, picking up litter, weed-eating grass, pulling weeds, posting informational/regulation signs, etc.
- Conducts safety patrols, rescue and recovery, and provides detailed information to visitors about safe boating practices, river etiquette, and recreation opportunities on both the South Fork and Main sections of the Payette River.
- Oversees routine maintenance at South Fork dispersed sites including site cleanup, monitors regulation compliance, and educates recreation site users of restrictions and regulations.
- Serves as a Forest Protection Officer and monitors fee compliance in river recreation sites, and issues warnings and violation notices as necessary. May assist agency law enforcement personnel with violation information. ***Must be able to pass a background investigation.***
- Acts as a collection officer.
- In coordination with the Lowman Ranger District, assist with Outfitter and Guide permit administration and inspections.
- Work Schedule includes working 5 days/week; Thursday – Monday, including all holidays.

## **Specialized Skills Required**

Specialized experience is experience which is in or directly related to the line of work of the position to be filled and which has equipped the applicant with the particular knowledge, skills, and abilities to successfully perform the duties of the position. ***The incumbent must be able to validate/demonstrate specialized skills through their application and resume.***

- The incumbent serves as a boatman on the Main and South Fork sections of the Payette River. Must be able to operate a 16-foot oar raft or paddle raft.
- Sufficient skills and expertise to row a raft in Class I-IV whitewater rapids.
- Demonstrate ability to load/unload watercraft safely.
- Experience working with river rescue equipment and ability to demonstrate use of rescue equipment. Willing to obtain (if currently do not have) Rescue 3 International Swiftwater Technician Class Certification.
- Ability to communicate orally and in writing.

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**\*\* To be considered for this position, you must select Garden Valley, ID as your location \*\***

### **ABOUT THE FOREST AND DISTRICT:**

The District office is located in Emmett, ID. The duty station for this position is located in the Garden Valley Work Center, approximately 50 miles north of Boise and approximately 48 miles northeast of Emmett, ID. The Boise National Forest includes about 2,612,000 acres of National Forest lands located north and east of the city of Boise, Idaho. Elevations on the forest range from 2,600 to 9,800 feet.

**LOCATION:** Garden Valley, Idaho is nestled between the confluence of the Middle Fork Payette River and South Fork Payette River surrounded by mountains. The valley has two small communities: Crouch and Garden Valley. The population is approximately 2,000. The area offers a medical center, K-12 school, grocery and convenience stores, hardware store, several restaurants, post office, and a credit union.

**CLIMATE:** Garden Valley sits at 3,150 feet in elevation and enjoys a four-season climate with an average July max of 88 and a January low of 17.5 degrees Fahrenheit.

**HOUSING:** Some rentals are available in Garden Valley. The real estate market is booming with many older and newer houses for sale as well as vacant land from city size lots to large acreages available. Government housing is available for a daily stipend (RV trailer located at GV work center).

**RECREATION IN THE GARDEN VALLEY AND BOISE AREA:** There are numerous recreational opportunities located in and around Garden Valley, including golfing, whitewater rafting, hunting, fishing, hiking, camping, and visiting natural hot springs. Check the [GV Calendar](#) for upcoming events! Additional information on Garden Valley can be found at: <http://www.gvchamber.org/> and <http://www.gardenvalleyidaho.net/>

### **FOR MORE INFORMATION REGARDING THIS POSITION CONTACT:**

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