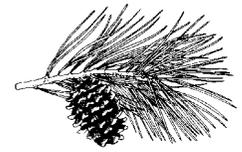




***Zone Assistant
Fire Management Officer, GS-462-8/9
(Approximately \$50,923 / year)***



ABOUT THE POSITION:

The Arapaho and Roosevelt National Forests and Pawnee National Grassland will soon be filling a permanent Zone Assistant Fire Management Officer (ZAFMO) GS-462-8/9. This position is located on the North Zone of the Forest which includes the Canyon Lakes Ranger District and Pawnee National Grassland. The position duty station is in Fort Collins, CO. Tour of duty is full-time (PFT). The incumbent is supervised by the Zone Fire Management Officer.

The Canyon Lakes Ranger District encompasses approximately 650,000 acres mostly in Larimer County and the Pawnee Grasslands cover over 190,000 acres in Weld County. The fire management situation includes lower elevation areas of mixed ownership and interface to higher elevation wilderness areas. The North Zone averages nearly 30 fires per year.

This position has been identified under the Forest Service - Fire Program Management (FS-FPM) Standard and Guide for High Complexity fire programs. The applicant will be required to possess primary and secondary core NWCG (National Wildland Coordinating Group) incident management qualifications by October 13, 2013. For further information: <http://www.fs.fed.us/fire/management/ifpm/crosswalk.pdf>

This is a secondary firefighter position under the provisions of 5 USC 8336(c) or 5 USC 8412 (d). Successful completion of the arduous duty Work Capacity (Pack) Test is a condition of employment. Major duties include:

- **Program Management:** The ADFMO directs operations of the North Zone fire management program. Responsibilities include:
 - Providing leadership, coordination and direction for the Zone fire program.
 - Serving as Zone Fire Duty Officer.
 - Serving in Operations or Command positions on wildland or prescribed fires as needed.
 - Coordinating program activities with federal, state, and local government agencies/cooperators
 - Assisting District FMO with budget formulation and management. Incumbent maintains government small purchasing authority and monitors the expenditure of funds to assure fiscal integrity.
 - Assisting in establishment and instruction of training programs.
 - Maintaining fire training and qualifications records for Zone employees.

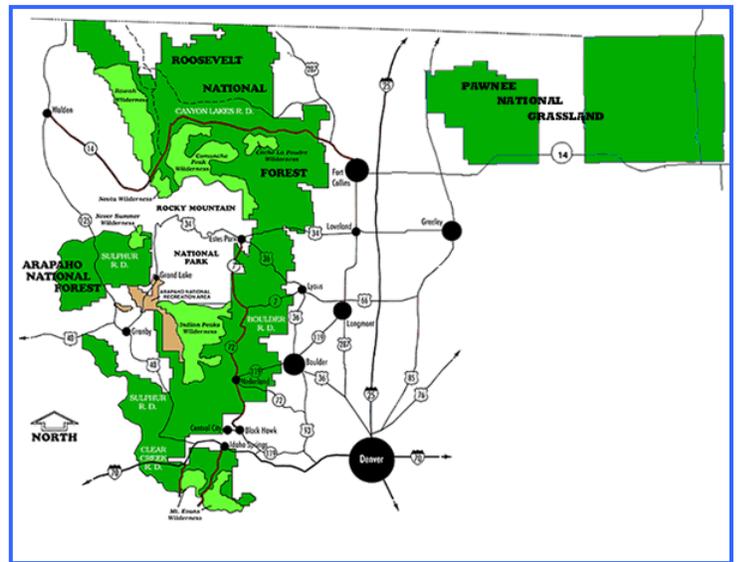
- **Supervision:** The incumbent supervises three GS-7 Engine Captains (Type 6 Engines) and one GS-7 IA Handcrew Captain. Supervision duties include temporary and permanent employee hiring, performance monitoring and evaluations, oversight of employee health and safety, morale, motivation and work quality.
- **Planning:** The incumbent provides technical advice for strategic fire and fuels management projects such as fire control, pre-suppression or prescribed burn plans. Participates as needed on interdisciplinary teams to provide fire and fuels management expertise for vegetation management or other resource planning projects. Contributes to collection of fire hazard and risk data.

Duty Station Information:

Arapaho & Roosevelt National Forests and Pawnee National Grassland

The Duty Station for this position is located in Fort Collins, Colorado. The Canyon Lakes Ranger District is the northernmost one of five Ranger Districts on the Arapaho & Roosevelt National Forests and Pawnee National Grassland. It is considered an urban forest because it is close to a large population center along the Front Range including Boulder and Denver. The Forest also has one of the most complex ownership patterns in the country. Key statistics of the Forest include:

- ❖ Four ski areas
- ❖ Six scenic byways
- ❖ 1000 special use permits
- ❖ 8500 miles of boundary
- ❖ 3000 miles of roads
- ❖ 900 miles of trails
- ❖ 340, 000 acres of private land exists within the forest boundary.



Additional Information about the Forests can be found at: <http://www.fs.fed.us/arnf/>

Fort Collins, Colorado

Fort Collins is located about 60 minutes north of Denver and forty-five minutes south of the Wyoming border on Interstate 25. It is a full service community with several institutes of higher learning including Colorado State University. Elementary and secondary schools rank among the States best. There also private and Church-affiliated schools and day care facilities. Fort Collins also has a large and excellent medical community with a wide variety of specialists, several clinics, and one hospital. Cultural opportunities include live theater, vocal and instrumental performances, art and history museums, ethnic festivals, and a full calendar of community special events. The driving time from Fort Collins to various ski areas range from 1.5 to 2.5 hours.

More Information about Fort Collins Colorado can be found at: <http://www.ftcollins.com/>

Location/Climate

- Fort Collins is nestled against the foothills of the Rocky Mountains and alongside the banks of the Cache La Poudre River.
- The city lies approximately 5,000 feet above sea level.
- Residents enjoy a moderate, four season climate with an average of 300 days of sunshine and 14.5 inches of precipitation a year.

Finance and Economics

The Average Cost of a 2000 Sq ft home in Fort Collins is \$250,000.

For a Cost of Living Comparison see <http://www.fcchamber.org/>

Announcement Information & Contacts:

The purpose of this Outreach Notice is to determine the potential applicant pool for this position. Assuming sufficient responses are received from this outreach notice, a referral list will be requested sometime after February 17, 2013

This position is being advertised under an Open Continuous Register (OCR). The announcement can be viewed in USAJOBS, <https://www.usajobs.gov/> Follow instructions in “How to Apply”.

The announcement number is OCRP-462-DZAFMO(H)-8/9 DP for “Demo” candidates.

The announcement number is OCRP-462-DZAFMO(H)-8/9 G for “Merit” candidates.

Applicants should select **Fort Collins, Colorado as the duty location.**

If interested in this position please contact Zone FMO Dave Hamrick.

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