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Vacancy Announcement

USDA FOREST SERVICE
Ashley National Forest

Forest FMO
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The Ashley National Forest is looking to fill the Forest Fire Management Officer position located at the Supervisor's office in Vernal, UT. The selected employee will be placed in the GS-0301-12 series.

Applications for this position must be in prior to November 22, 2013 and have selected Vernal, Utah as a duty station.

Duties: Provides short and long-range fire management planning, program direction and coordination for a moderate complexity fire program. Develops and implements an integrated fire management program to achieve resource objectives. Provides professional knowledge in the administration of fire suppression, long duration events, use of fire in ecological restoration, detection and prevention programs; dispatching services; fuels/vegetation and aviation management. Has involvement in project planning with other resources such watershed, range, recreation and ecosystem management. Provide leadership in the interagency environment involving Department of Interior, State of Utah, and local cooperators. Share guidance in mentoring employees. Maintain communication with Regional Office and Forest Supervisor regarding wildfire incidents, prescribed burning, and other critical issues. Foster a training program that develops skills and maintains a safe and efficient workforce.

Requirements: This position is categorized as a Moderate Complexity Forest Fire Management Officer that is subject to the Interagency Fire Program Management (IFPM) Standard and Guide, as designated by the WO Fire and Aviation Management. Refer to the Forest Service IFPM Standard Position Description Crosswalk.

Primary Selective Factor	Secondary Selective Factor	Additional Required Training
TFLD (Currency Not Required)	ICT3 or RXB2 (Currency Not Required)	M-581 (Required)

About the vacancy: The permanent position, Forest Fire Management Officer GS-0301-12, will be advertised in USAJOBS, <http://www.USAJobs.com> . Those individuals who respond either by email, US postal mail or fax will be contacted when the vacancy announcement is available in USAJOBS. An account, profile, and resume may be completed prior to the vacancy announcement. When applying for this job, be sure to indicate **Vernal, Utah** in your choice of location on your application.

The Region:

The Intermountain Region (R4), with offices located in Ogden Utah provides administrative oversight and support to thirteen National Forests and one National Grassland in [Utah](#), [Nevada](#), eastern [California](#) western [Wyoming](#), and southern and central [Idaho](#) and covers 31,816,792 acres in the National Forest Systems. There are approximately 2200 permanent employees in Region 4.

The Forest:

Ashley National Forest – <http://www.fs.fed.us/r4/ashley>.

Ashley National Forest has its headquarters in [Vernal](#), Utah; it comprises 1.3 million acres located in the northeastern portion of [Utah](#) and southwestern portion of Wyoming. National Forest System lands are located in three major areas: the northern and southern slopes of the Uinta Mountains, the Wyoming Basin, and the Tavaputs Plateau.

The Ashley National Forest is bordered by the Uintah and Ouray Ute Indian Reservation, the Uinta and Wasatch-Cache National Forests, private property, and lands administered by the Bureau of Land Management and State of Utah. Dinosaur National Monument is located approximately 10 miles east of the Forest.

The Ashley National Forest was established by President Theodore Roosevelt in 1908. Its forest and range lands are protected and managed to ensure timber, grazing, minerals, water, and outdoor recreation for the American people.

The vast Uinta Mountains watershed within the Forest boundary provides vital water supplies for power, industry, farm, and city use in Utah, Nevada, Wyoming, and California. Sheep, cattle, and horses graze under permit on over a half million acres of the Forest each season. Timber is managed in harmony with other resources to insure a continuing supply and a quality environment. Over 2.5 million visitors come to the Forest each year to participate in outstanding outdoor recreation activities, such as boating, fishing, camping, hiking, backpacking, horseback riding, cross-country skiing, and snowmobiling.

Forest landscape ranges from high desert country to high mountain areas. The elevation varies from a low of 6,000 feet to a high of 13,528 feet above sea level at the summit of Kings Peak.

Topographical diversity and intensive land management has served to protect the visual quality on the Forest. The existing vegetation patterns and the geological formations further add to the aesthetic value. The Forest boundaries include places such as the Sheep Creek Geological Area, the High Uinta Wilderness area, the Green River, and the Flaming Gorge National Recreation Area.

About Vernal, Utah: Vernal has a population of approximately 8,000 people and the

surrounding Uinta Basin population is approximately 20,000 according to 2000 census bureau data. The Uinta Basin is greatly influenced by the oil and gas industry, which is in the middle of a job boom, so the population numbers have noticeably increased over the past 6 years. Vernal is situated in northeast Utah about 35 minutes from the Colorado border (and Dinosaur National Monument) and 1.5 hours south of the Wyoming border. Flaming Gorge National Recreation Area on the Ashley National Forest is a neighboring district that is a good reference point for locating the area since it is easily discernible on most maps. Vernal is approximately 2 hours from ski resorts such as Park City, UT and Steamboat Springs, CO; and approximately 2.5 to 3 hours from cities along the Wasatch front like Salt Lake City and Provo, UT. The Vernal area has year-round recreation throughout the Uinta Mountains and Uinta Basin including fishing, hiking, mountain biking, whitewater rafting, motorized and non-motorized boating, camping, hunting, snowmobiling, cross-country skiing, and more. Vernal city has recreation leagues for sports such as basketball, softball, volleyball, tennis, soccer, and other activities like yoga and table tennis. For more information go to: <http://www.vernalchamber.com/>