



**TEMPORARY EMPLOYMENT  
OUTREACH  
KOOTENAI NATIONAL FOREST  
12/23/2013**

The Kootenai National Forest will soon begin filling multiple temporary positions (NTE 1039 hours) for the 2014 field season. Additional positions throughout Region 1, may be found on the Forest Service R1 website

Positions may be available in:

- Forestry: general; natural resources: fire(handcrew, engine, helitack, dispatch, prevention, lookout, etc); fuels; recreation; trails; wilderness; timber; silviculture; timber stand improvement; reforestation
- Biological Sciences: general; weeds; wildlife; plants, etc
- Range
- Survey
- Engineering
- Clerical
- Social Services (YCC Leader)
- Hydrology
- Laborer (WG).

Openings may be available at the GS-2; GS-3, GS-4, GS-5, GS-6, WG-2, and WG-3 levels.

Additional series and grades may be available and will be posted on [usajobs.gov](http://usajobs.gov).

### **How to Apply**

Applicants must apply online at [www.usajobs.com](http://www.usajobs.com). You will be required to create a USAJOBS account and either create a resume or upload your own. Use the vacancy announcement numbers below to navigate to the appropriate position. Click "Apply Online" and follow the prompts to complete the online application.

We expect to start requesting certificates starting **January, 2014** and continuing through **June 2014**. Applications must be submitted before Districts request a certificate to be considered.

### **Required Documents**

For a **complete list** of required documents, refer to the USAJOBS vacancy announcement.

- Resume that includes the following information: 1) job information for which you are applying; 2) personal information; 3) education; 4) work experience; and, 5) other qualifications.
- College Transcripts if education is required for meeting basic qualifications and/or you are substituting education for specialized experience. An unofficial copy is sufficient with the application, however, if selected an official college transcript will be required.
- DD-214 and/or SF-15 Application for 10-point Veteran Preference if claiming Veterans' Preference or eligibility for appointment under the VRA, VEOA, or 30% Disabled Veterans hiring authority.

**No announcement numbers are currently assigned. Continue to monitor usajobs.gov for openings.**

To receive consideration for this position, you must meet all qualification requirements, as listed in the announcements, as of the date a certificate is issued.

Some positions will require working on weekends and various work schedules.

Firefighters must also pass a Work Capacity Test (WCT). The WCT has 3 levels (arduous, moderate, and light). The level required is based on the duties of the position.

Dates of employment range from April through October depending on the position and funding.

Some positions may be filled through the Pathways program for students. These opportunities will also be posted on usajobs.gov.

Interested applicants are encouraged to contact our Ranger Districts for additional information on position possibilities.

<b>Supervisor's Office</b>	<b>Libby, MT</b>	<b>(406) 293-6211</b>	<b>Gov't housing not available</b>
<b>Eureka/Rexford</b>	<b>Eureka, MT</b>	<b>(406) 296-2536</b>	<b>Gov't bunkhousing may be available</b>
<b>Murphy Lake-Fortine</b>	<b>Fortine, MT</b>	<b>(406) 882-4451</b>	<b>Gov't bunkhousing may be available</b>
<b>Three Rivers-Troy</b>	<b>Troy, MT</b>	<b>(406) 295-4693</b>	<b>Gov't bunkhousing may be available</b>
<b>Canoe Gulch-Libby</b>	<b>Libby, MT</b>	<b>(406) 293-7773</b>	<b>Gov't housing not available</b>
<b>Trout Creek-Cabinet</b>	<b>Trout Creek, MT</b>	<b>(406) 827-3533</b>	<b>Gov't bunkhousing may be available</b>



## **ABOUT THE FOREST**

The Kootenai National Forest is located in the extreme northwest corner of Montana, a small portion of northeast Idaho and encompasses over 2.2 million acres of NFS lands, an area nearly three times the size of Rhode Island. The Forest consists of 5 Ranger Districts located in Eureka, Fortine, Troy, Libby (approximately 13 miles north of Libby) and Trout Creek. The Engineering organization is located throughout the forest. The Forest is bordered on the north by British Columbia, Canada, and on the west by Idaho. Of the total acres, 50,384 are within the State of Idaho. Access into the Forest is via U.S. Highways 2 and 93 and Montana State Highways 37, 56, 200 and 508. Additional information may be found on the Kootenai NF website ([www.fs.usda.gov/kootenai](http://www.fs.usda.gov/kootenai)).

## **INDIAN TRIBES**

The Kootenai National Forest (KNF) encompasses lands that are part of the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes (CSKT) Aboriginal Territory. In the Hell Gate Treaty of 1855 the CSKT ceded over 22 million acres to the United States Government retaining 1.2 million acres for their own use that today is the Flathead Indian Reservation. The Flathead Indian Reservation is approximately 85 miles southeast of the Kootenai National Forest. The Tribes retain Treaty rights under the Hell Gate Treaty on federal lands such as the KNF. These rights include hunting, gathering, digging plants and roots, fishing, and grazing on Kootenai National Forest lands.

The Kootenai National Forest holds many places in the natural environment that are important to the Kootenai people. These are known as cultural sites and traditional cultural properties. The relationship and bonds that Kootenai people have to these places were established before there was a Kootenai National Forest and the stories, place names and songs from these sites have been handed down from generation to generation. This is called a cultural landscape and is the basis for or essence of Kootenai identity and culture.

## **ABOUT THE COMMUNITIES**

Eureka/Fortine: Eureka Chamber (<http://www.welcome2eureka.com>)

Troy: Troy Chamber (<http://www.troymtchamber.org/>)

Libby: Libby Chamber (<http://www.libbychamber.org/>)

Trout Creek: Thompson Falls Chamber (<http://www.thompsonfallschamber.com>)

The Libby Valley has documented presence of *Libby Amphibole* as determined by the Environmental Protection Agency. Interested applicants are urged to be aware of and research the possible hazards of amphibole to human health. Cleanup and hazard mitigation operations are being conducted by the EPA. Please contact the EPA (<http://epa.gov/region8/superfund/libby/>), the CARD (Center for Asbestos Related Disease) (<http://www.libbyasbestos.org/>), or the Libby District Ranger for more information.