

Additional Information

Temporary Recreation Positions

Forestry Technician (Recreation)(Trails) GS-0462 - 03,04,05
Developed Recreation, Visitor Use Surveys, Trails, Forest Protection Officers
Cascade, Emmett, Idaho City, Lowman, and Mountain Home

Boise National Forest



Recreation Technicians support the forest recreation program. Provide public information, conduct inspections of recreation facilities, build and maintain trails, and clean recreation facilities.

The work is performed in a forest environment where the terrain may be steep, uneven, rocky, and covered with thick and tangled vegetation. Temperatures may range from very hot and dry to cool and extremely wet. Rain, snow, wind, or dust may be encountered. Use painting and cleaning products. Work requires the use of safety equipment such as boots, gloves, goggles, and hardhats. Tour of duty is full-time and will involve working weekends or irregular hours.

Developed Recreation: Employees will be involved in the operation and general maintenance of the developed campgrounds and day use areas. This includes making contact with forest visitors about regulations, collecting campground fees, trash pickup, and toilet cleaning.

National Visitor Use Monitoring: Employees will be collecting recreation use information from visitors as they are leaving developed recreation sites, general forest areas, or along forest highways. Interviews are conducted along roadsides and trailheads. Position involves a great deal of travel as the interview sites are located throughout the Boise National Forest.

Trails: Employees use various tools and equipment to maintain and construct non-motorized and motorized trails, install water bars, and/or build rock walls, operating chain saws, brushers, and will move or transport personnel and equipment to

project areas, maintain and reconstruct trails and structures, and identify any trail problems. Also, patrolling trails to ensure they are operated, used, and maintained in accordance with Forest standards. This position includes irregular work hours and overnight stay in the field.

Forest Protection Officer: Rides off-road motorcycles/ATVs on a variety of technical and difficult trails (i.e., and steep, narrow, rocky). Traverses safely on all trails within the patrol area and performs all other aspects of the job in accordance with accepted safe work practices. Cares for and maintains District OHV equipment, including motorcycles and all other assigned vehicles. Become certified as a Forest Protection Officer by completing 36 hours of classroom lecture, practical exercises, and passing a background investigation. While on patrol establishes contact with Forest users, visitors, and local residents. Provides information regarding recreation use and also explains pertinent laws and regulations. Distributes and explains motor vehicle use maps literature; posts signs and issues violation warnings and tickets. Periodic overnight stays may be required.

Housing: Some housing may be available. Check with contact person at the duty station.

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