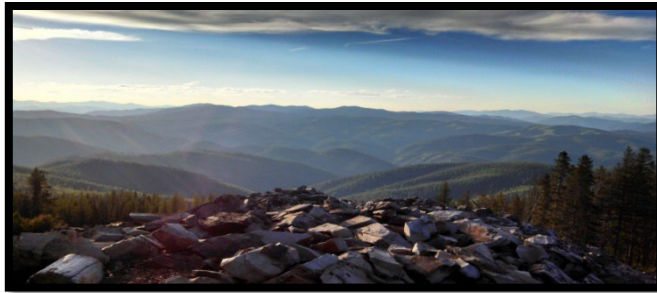


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**FIRE HIRE 2026**

**Hiring Multiple Permanent Full Time & Permanent  
Seasonal Fire Management Positions  
GW-04 through GS-10**

**Outreach Announcement for Fire Positions PHASE 1 2026**

The Lolo National Forest will soon begin filling permanent positions in fire management in PHASE 1 of the 2026 Fire Hire. The jobs listed below will be open in [USAjobs.gov](https://USAjobs.gov) from August 22 – September 23, 2025. Fire Hire is the Forest Service hiring process for permanent fire positions. This process allows applicants to apply with a single application to multiple duty locations.

Forests may immediately backfill positions that become vacant in the process. Applicants are encouraged to apply for all positions and duty locations they are interested in even if they are not currently vacant.

**Applicants are highly encouraged to reach out to the program contacts listed below to show interest.**

## Lolo National Forest Program Contacts 2026

Contact	Program	Phone Number	E-Mail	Duty Location
Andrew Nepstad Base Manager	Missoula Helitack	406-329-4974	<a href="mailto:andrew.nepstad@usda.gov">andrew.nepstad@usda.gov</a>	Missoula, MT
Rachel Simpson Center Manager	Missoula Interagency Dispatch Center	406-829-7050	<a href="mailto:rachel.simpson@usda.gov">rachel.simpson@usda.gov</a>	Missoula, MT
Stryker Clark DFMO	Missoula RD	406-329-3852	<a href="mailto:stryker.clark@usda.gov">stryker.clark@usda.gov</a>	Missoula, MT
Jacob Fallis DAFMO	Ninemile RD	406-626-5419	<a href="mailto:jacob.n.fallis@usda.gov">jacob.n.fallis@usda.gov</a>	Huson, MT
Daniel Stevens DAFMO	Plains RD	406-826-4325	<a href="mailto:daniel.t.stevens@usda.gov">daniel.t.stevens@usda.gov</a>	Plains, MT
Robert Spence DFMO	Seeley Lake RD	406-865-0262	<a href="mailto:robert.spence@usda.gov">robert.spence@usda.gov</a>	Seeley Lake, MT
John "Teo" DiGiando DFMO	Superior RD	406-531-9428	<a href="mailto:john.digiando@usda.gov">john.digiando@usda.gov</a>	Superior, MT
Shawn Faiella IHC Supt.	Lolo Interagency Hotshot Crew	406-529-4893	<a href="mailto:shawn.faiella@usda.gov">shawn.faiella@usda.gov</a>	Missoula, MT

### Current Vacancies to be filled on the Lolo NF during Phase 1 Fire Hire:

Positions	Grade	Duty Location	Announcement Number	Contact
Asst. Helicopter Manger	GW 7/8	Missoula, MT	26-FIRE-P1VA-HLTAKMGR-78DH	Andrew Nepstad
Senior FF (Helicopter)	GW 4/5	Missoula, MT	26-FIRE-P1VA-HTKSRRF-45DH	Andrew Nepstad
Asst. IHC Supt.	GW 7/8	Missoula, MT	26-FIRE-P1VA-IHCASST-78DH	Shawn Faiella
Senior FF (IHC)	GW 4/5	Missoula, MT	26-FIRE-P1R14610-IHCRW-45DH	Shawn Faiella
Asst. Center Mgr (Dispatch)	GW 8/9	Missoula, MT	26-FIRE-P1VA-ADISPCM-89DH	Rachel Simpson
IA Dispatcher	GW 4/5/6/7	Missoula, MT	26-FIRE-P1VA-IADISP-4567DH	Rachel Simpson
Senior Fuels Tech.	GW 8	Missoula, MT	26-FIRE-P1R14610-FFUELS-8DH	Stryker Clark
Asst. Fire Engine Operator	GW 5/6	Missoula, MT	26-FIRE-P1R14610-AFEO-56DH	Stryker Clark
Senior FF (Engine)	GW 4/5	Missoula, MT	26-FIRE-P1R146-ENGSSFF-45DH	Stryker Clark
Senior FF (Engine)	GW 4/5	Huson, MT	26-FIRE-P1R146-ENGSSFF-45DH	Jacob Fallis
Fuels Tech	GW 6/7	Plains, MT	26-FIRE-P1R14610-DFUEL-67DH	Daniel Stevens
Asst. Fire Engine Operator	GW 5/6	Plains, MT	26-FIRE-P1R14610-AFEO-56DH	Daniel Stevens
Asst. Fire Engine Operator	GW 5/6	Plains, MT	26-FIRE-P1R14610-AFEO-56DH	Daniel Stevens
Senior FF (Engine)	GW 4/5	Plains, MT	26-FIRE-P1R146-ENGSSFF-45DH	Daniel Stevens
Fuels AFMO	GW 8/9	Seeley Lake, MT	26-FIRE-P1R146-DFLS-89DH	Robert Spence
Fuels Tech	GW 6/7	Seeley Lake, MT	26-FIRE-P1R14610-DFUEL-67DH	Robert Spence
Asst. Fire Engine Operator	GW 5/6	Seeley Lake, MT	26-FIRE-P1R14610-AFEO-56DH	Robert Spence
Senior FF (Engine)	GW 4/5	Seeley Lake, MT	26-FIRE-P1R146-ENGSSFF-45DH	Robert Spence

Please apply to all positions and duty stations for the Lolo N.F. listed below that you are interested in even if the position is currently filled.

**\*\*\* UPDATE GW 3/4 Target Grade GW5 when S290 and FFT1 are complete. Multiple announcement numbers changed. Correct numbers are listed both above and below. \*\*\***

Announcement Number	Position Group	Position Title	GS-Series	Lowest Grade	Target Grade	Complexity Level
26-FIRE-P1R14-WFAP-345DH	APPRENTICE	Forestry Technician - Wildland Fire Apprentice	GW-0462	3	5	
26-FIRE-P1VA-IADISP-4567DH	DISPATCH IA	Forestry Technician - Initial Attack Dispatcher	GW-0462	4/5/6	7	
26-FIRE-P1VA-ADISPCM-89DH	DISPATCH ASST CM	Forestry Technician - Fire Dispatch (Asst. Center Manager)	GW-0462	8	9	
26-FIRE-P1VA-ADZFMOM-89DH	DZAFMO - MOD	District/Zone Assistant Fire Management Officer - DZAFMO (Moderate)	GW-0462	8	9	Moderate
26-FIRE-P1R146-DFLS-89DH	DZAFMO - FUELS	District/Zone AFMO Fuels - Supervisory	GW-0462	8	9	
26-FIRE-P1R14-FFTR-34DH	SR.FF	Entry Level FF	GW-462	3/4	5	
26-FIRE-P1R146-ENGSRFF-45DH	ENGINE	Forestry Technician (Engine) - Senior FF	GW-0462	4	5	
26-FIRE-P1R14610-AFEO-56DH	ENGINE	Lead Forestry Technician (AFEO)	GW-0462	5	6	
26-FIRE-P1R14610-FEOH-67DH	ENGINE - HIGH	Forestry Technician (FEO) - High	GW-0462	6	7	High
26-FIRE-P1R14610-SFEOH-78DH	ENGINE - HIGH	Supervisory Forestry Technician (SFEO) - High	GW-0462	7	8	High
26-FIRE-P1R14610-DFUEL-67DH	FUELS	Forestry Technician (Fire/Fuels) - District Fuels Technician	GW-0462	6	7	
26-FIRE-P1R14610-FFUELS-8DH	FUELS	Senior Fuels Technician	GW-0462	8	8	
26-FIRE-P1R14-FFTR-34DH	SR.FF	Entry Level FF	GW-462	3/4	5	
26-FIRE-P1R14610-IHCRW-45DH	HANDCREW/HOTSHOT	Lead Forestry Technician (Handcrew Squad Leader)	GW-0462	4	5	
26-FIRE-P1R14610-HCREW-56DH	HANDCREW/HOTSHOT	Handcrew Squad Leader	GW-0462	5	6	
26-FIRE-P1VA-HCREWT2-67DH	HCREW - HIGH	Forestry Technician (Handcrew) High	GW-0462	6	7	High
26-FIRE-P1VA-SHDCRW-78DH	HCREW - HIGH	Supervisory Forestry Technician (Handcrew) High	GW-0462	7	8	High
26-FIRE-P1R14-FFTR-34DH	SR.FF	Entry Level FF	GW-462	3/4	5	
26-FIRE-P1VA-HTKS RFF-45DH	HELITACK	Forestry Technician (Helitack) - Senior FF	GW-0462	4	5	
26-FIRE-P1VA-HTKS QLR-67DH	HELITACK	Forestry Technician (Helitack) - Squad Leader	GW-0462	6	7	
26-FIRE-P1VA-HLTAKMGR-78DH	HELITACK ASST	Supervisory Forestry Technician (Helitack) - Asst. Manager	GW-0462	7	8	
26-FIRE-P1VA-HLTAKMGR-9DH	HELITACK MGR	Supervisory Forestry Technician (Helitack) - Manager	GW-0462	9	9	
26-FIRE-P1R14-FFTR-34DH	SR.FF	Entry Level FF	GW-462	3/4	5	
26-FIRE-P1R14610-IHCHCRW-45DH	SR.FF	Forestry Technician (Hotshot/Handcrew) - Senior FF	GW-0463	4	5	
26-FIRE-P1R14610-HCREW-56DH	LEAD FF	Hotshot Lead Firefighter	GW-0462	5	6	
26-FIRE-P1VA-IHCSQLR-67DH	IHC SQLDR	Forestry Technician (IHC Squad Leader)	GW-0462	6	7	
26-FIRE-P1VA-IHCASST-78DH	IHCASST	Supervisory Forestry Technician (IHC Assistant Superintendent)	GW-0462	7	8	
26-FIRE-P1VA-IHCSUPT-10DH	IHCSUPT	Supervisory Forestry Technician (IHC Superintendent)	GW-0462	10	10	
26-FIRE-P1VA-PREV2-67DH	PREVENTION	Forestry Technician (Prevention) - Secondary FF Coverage	GW-0462	6	7	