

Forester (Special Forest Products) OUTREACH NOTICE



**Forester GS 0460
Siuslaw National Forest
Central Coast Ranger District
Waldport , Oregon**

The **Central Coast Ranger District – Oregon Dunes National Recreation Area** is outreaching **one permanent, full-time Forester, GS-0460-5/7/9**. The duty station is **Central Coast Ranger District in Waldport, Oregon**. The purpose of this Outreach Notice is to inform the potential applicant pool of this position.

If you are interested in this position please complete the attached **Outreach Response Form** and return it to **Casey Hawes, Central Coast Operations Staff, PO box 400, Waldport, OR 97394, or via email at: chawes@fs.fed.us no later than October 5, 2017.**

APPLICANT INFORMATION

The vacancy announcement for this position will be posted on **USAJOBS**, the U.S. Government's official website for employment opportunities at www.usajobs.gov

ABOUT THE POSITION

This position serves as the Special Forest Products (SFP) and Firewood Forester.

Duties Include:

- Develops and prepares a program for special forest products and for free use of forest products. These may include Christmas trees, firewood, posts and rails, shake and shingle bolts, greenery, or shrubs and seeds.
- Prepares and/or participates in preparation and review of appropriate environmental analysis documents.
- Provides advice, technical support and answers questions regarding firewood and special forest products.
- Develops sale packages of firewood and other SFP including layout, area determination, determination of quantity to be sold (crusing), appraisal, and contract writing.
- Conducts or assist with auctions and award of contracts within delegated authority.
- Administers contracts and free use products. Inspects contractor operations to assure contract compliance.
- Conducts monitoring and completes required reporting.
- Working both indoors in an office setting and outdoors in a variety of weather situations and terrain requiring significant physical exertion such as climbing over dense vegetation in steep terrain.



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This position needs someone who is self motivated with interest and abilities in leadership, communication, and working with the public.

There is no government housing available. The supervisor of this position will be the District Operations Staff.

THE DUTY STATION

The position will be stationed in Waldport, Oregon.

Waldport is a city of approximately 2,000 residents located on US Highway 101 in southern Lincoln County, near the middle of the Oregon coast. Waldport offers small businesses such as a grocery store, restaurants, gas stations, hardware and variety stores, banking institutions, and a health clinic. Waldport has miles of sandy ocean beaches, forest roads, hiking trails, wilderness areas, and a picturesque bay. This is the coast treasured by Oregonians. Waldport offers fishing, crabbing, biking, hiking, sailing, and more. For more information about the community of Waldport visit the Chamber of Commerce website: <http://www.waldport-chamber.com/>.

The nearest full-service community is Newport, OR located about 16 miles north of Waldport. Newport has approximately 10,000 residents and offers larger shopping opportunities, a hospital, a variety of entertainment including a theatre and performing arts center. For more information on Newport visit: <http://www.newportchamber.org/>, or <http://www.thecityofnewport.net/>

There are a variety of housing options in the Waldport/Newport area and within the community of Yachats 8 miles south. Prices vary, but tend to run on the high side as you near rivers and the ocean beach. Rentals are available from \$750 to \$1,100 per month, and homes are available to purchase from \$170,000 to \$250,000 or higher.

All three levels of schooling are present in the area and there is a community college campus located in Newport.

ABOUT THE RANGER DISTRICT:

The 479,000 acre Central Coast Ranger District-Oregon Dunes National Recreation Area extends from Newport, OR in the north to North Bend, OR in the south; from the Pacific Ocean to the crest of the coast range mountains (just west of Corvallis and Eugene). The Siuslaw's coastal influence, ocean-forest interface, relatively young Douglas-fir forest, and cultural history make it unique. Restoration, Recreation and Partnerships are key to the Forest's program. The Forest has been a leader in stewardship contracting, with three Stewardship Groups on the district. These have been instrumental in building community connections and furthering restoration work on the National Forest System and adjacent lands using the Wyden authority.

ABOUT THE FOREST:

The Siuslaw National Forest headquarters is located in Corvallis, Oregon. The headquarters is co-located with the Pacific Northwest Research Station on the campus of Oregon State University. The forest lies about 20 miles west of Corvallis and encompasses a little over 600,000 acres stretching from Hebo to the north along the Pacific Coast, south to the Oregon Dunes National Recreation Area which covers 30,000 acres. The Forest lies on the east and west sides of the Oregon Coast Range with the highest point being Mary's Peak at 4,097 feet.



The forest is known for its density of great rivers and fishing (3,200 miles of perennial and 5,000 miles of intermittent streams used by 5 species of salmon), as well as abundant elk and other wildlife, tall trees and diverse forest products in a coastal rain forest environment.

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There are 3 wilderness areas, covering 22,500 acres and 132 miles of hiking trails within the forest. Other recreation opportunities include beach-combing, sand dune OHV riding and trekking, hunting, and boating/fishing in abundant coastal lakes, bays, and estuaries.

The forest is currently focusing on the following priority items: 1) Create healthy forest habitat; 2) Provide coastal recreational experiences; 3) Nurture partnerships; and 4) Restore streams and aquatic species.

The position will be stationed in **Waldport, Oregon**. **Applicants must apply to this location if they wish to be considered.**

FOR MORE INFORMATION about the Siuslaw National Forest, please visit our web site at: <http://www.fs.usda.gov/siuslaw>

FOR MORE INFORMATION about this vacancy please contact **Casey Hawes** at chawes@fs.fed.us or (541) 563-8446.

US Forest Service Outreach Data Base: Here is where jobs are posted before they are place on the USA Job site: [Outreach and Vacancy Announcement](#)

Website: <https://fsoutreach.gdcii.com/Outreach>

Siuslaw National Forest Outreach Response Form

Attn: **Casey Hawes**

Title of Position: **Forester (Special Forest Products)**

Pay Plan, Series, Grade: **GS-0460-5/7/9**

Response Information

Name:

E-mail Address:

Phone:

Are you a current federal employee? Yes _____ No _____

Agency _____

Location _____

Current Position, Series, and Grade _____

Status (Permanent or Temporary Appointment) _____

If not a current permanent (career or career conditional) employee, are you eligible to be hired under any of the following special authorities?

- PERSON WITH DISABILITIES – Requires Schedule A Letter*
- DISABLED VETERAN W/DISABILITY – Requires DD-214 & letter of determinations*
- VETERAN – Requires DD-214*
- FORMER PEACE CORPS/VISA or AMERI CORP VISA – Requires Letter of Completion*
- PUBLIC LANDS – must be currently in program*
- PATHWAYS PROGRAM – Indefinite Intern*
- LAND MANAGEMENT WORKFORCE FLEXIBILITY ACT (LMWFA)-must provide proof (Form-52s)*
- RESOURCE ASSISTANT PROGRAM (RAP)- Need certification of program completion*
- OTHER _____*

Office of Personnel Management Website: <https://www.opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/hiring-authorities>

Special appointment authorities may be used by agencies to appoint specific groups of individuals who meet the respective eligibility requirements to positions in the Federal Government.

Website: <https://www.opm.gov/FAQs/OA.aspx?fid=de14aff4-4f77-4e17-afaa-fa109430fc7b&pid=8f814f58-3b23-4ad2-a246-1f620c32f61a>



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Please answer the following questions (optional):

Brief description of your qualifications:

Describe skill level and interest:

Briefly describe your experience working with diverse populations (Cultural, disabled community, language, etc.)

At times the Forest Service pays costs associated with Transfers of Station (TOS); costs such as professional movers, temporary quarters allowance, househunting trip, home sale/buy realtor and closing fees etc.

Questions:

Would you accept this position if TOS were not included? Yes or No (circle one)

In a scale from 1 to 10 (ten being highest - circle one), how important is the TOS benefit

(low) 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 (high)

Please remember to attach your resume and any other supporting documentation you would like us to consider in this process.