

**OUTREACH NOTICE**

**Nez Perce-Clearwater NFs**

*History, Wildlands and Wild Experiences!*

**DEPUTY FOREST  
SUPERVISOR**

**GS-0340-14 PFT**





## OUTREACH NOTICE

The Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests (NP-CLW NFs) is seeking candidates to fill a GS-0340-14, deputy forest supervisor position. This is a permanent, full time position. Interested applicants should contact Cheryl Probert, Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forest's Forest Supervisor, at [cheryl.probert@usda.gov](mailto:cheryl.probert@usda.gov).

## ABOUT THE JOB



Our Deputy Forest Supervisor position is currently vacant and we are looking for interested individuals for a permanent assignment. This position takes an active role in management and oversight of a large, complex National Forest located in the heart of North Central Idaho. 1.5 million acres of the forest was recently designated as a [Wildfire Crisis Strategy Landscape](#). We are looking for an individual with diverse skills to assist the Forest leadership on this complex landscape.

We are looking for someone who can implement creative and efficient ways to implement our programs and build partnerships. Together with the forest supervisor, this position supervises six district rangers, five staff officers and a Safety Officer. The ability to work with diverse teams and communities is a must for this position.

The deputy forest supervisor also directly supervises the administrative staff. We are looking for someone with strong leadership skills, energy, and creativity who thrives in a team environment.



## ABOUT THE NEZ PERCE – CLEARWATER NATIONAL FORESTS

*The Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests are about:*

- *Promoting and protecting our history, wildlands, and wild experiences;*
- *Connecting with our communities;*
- *Building and restoring resiliency in our diverse landscapes, workforce and relationships.*

The Nez Perce-Clearwater NFs are a complex fire forest with diverse ecosystems that range from dry ponderosa pine to coastal disjunct communities. Wildfire is the primary driving force in the forested ecosystems.

The four million acre forest extends from the Selway-Bitterroot Continental Divide to Hells Canyon. Approximately one third of the Forest is wilderness, another third is roadless designated under the Idaho Roadless Rule, and the final third is referred to as the “Front Country” where the majority of timber harvest and roaded recreation occurs.

There are six ranger districts with approximately 325 permanent employees and over 225 seasonal employees during the summer field season. The Forests host the Grangeville Smokejumper, Grangeville Air Center, and Grangeville Interagency Dispatch Center.

The Forest also has multiple partnerships that are critical for accomplishing our work including: Selway-Bitterroot Foundation, Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, Nez Perce Tribe, and multiple recreation groups amongst others.



More information about the Nez Perce-Clearwater NFs is available at: <http://www.fs.usda.gov/nezperceclearwater>



## KAMIAH AND THE SURROUNDING AREA

The Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forests are located in an area rich with history, abundant fish and wildlife, and extraordinary outdoor recreation opportunities.

Kamiah is located within the Nez Perce Reservation. The Tribe holds events in Kamiah and welcomes non-tribal members' participation at the majority of their events. History of the Nez Perce Tribe and Lewis and Clark's Journey is a big draw for visitors to the area. The town's population is approximately 1300; however, there are about twice that many residents in the surrounding area. The climate in the Clearwater Valley is much milder than the surrounding prairies and mountains, with very little snow in winter, long autumns, and early springs. Lots of sunshine in the summer and protection from harsh winds.

The area is known for its excellent outdoor recreational opportunities. The Clearwater River, the most productive salmon and steelhead watersheds in the Columbia River Basin, runs adjacent to Kamiah. To the south are the Salmon and Snake Rivers. Salmon and steelhead fishing is some of the best in the lower 48. The Forests' rivers and streams, including Kelly Creek, Lochsa River, and Selway River, also provide nationally-renowned blue ribbon catch-and-release trout fishing opportunities for large westslope cutthroat trout. Whitewater rafting is popular on the rivers. Four wilderness areas offer opportunities to explore on foot or horseback: Hells Canyon, Gospel Hump, Frank Church River of No Return, and Selway-Bitterroot. For those that favor motorized recreation, the Forest has a developed system of ATV trails that provide access to the backcountry.

The Forest provides year-round habitat for one of the most significant elk herds in Idaho. Restoring elk habitat is an emphasis for the Forests. White tail deer are abundant.

Outdoor recreation, lumber production, farming, and cattle ranching are the major industries in the area.

*Communities* - There's several small communities in the area: Kooskia – 8 miles; Orofino – 23 miles; Grangeville – 33 miles; Nezperce – 23 miles; and Cottonwood – 26 miles. Larger



communities are Lewiston, Idaho - 66 miles; Moscow, Idaho - 93 miles; Missoula, Montana - 152 miles and Spokane, Washington - 166 miles.

*Housing* - Government housing is not available. Rental rates for an average three-bedroom home range from \$700 to \$1200 per month. Purchase price for a three-bedroom home in the Kamiah area ranges from \$119,000 to \$800,000 with numerous homes currently on the market.

*Schools and Churches* - Public schools are available in Kamiah from preschool through 12th grade. The University of Idaho at Moscow is a two hour drive from Kamiah, and Washington State University at Pullman, Washington is 15 miles beyond that. Lewis-Clark State College at Lewiston is approximately an hour and half drive. Most major religious affiliations are represented in the area.

*Medical* – A newly expanded medical clinic is located in Kamiah. There are also hospitals in Grangeville, Cottonwood and Orofino. Full service medical facilities are located in Lewiston, Spokane and Missoula.

**For more information about living in Kamiah, visit these websites:**

[www.kamiahchamber.com](http://www.kamiahchamber.com)

<http://clearwaterprogress.com/>

<http://www.usclimatedata.com/climate/kamiah/idaho/united-states/usid0424>

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kamiah,\\_Idaho](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kamiah,_Idaho)

<http://www.fs.usda.gov/npnht/>

## CONTACT

The purpose of this outreach is to determine the level of interest in the position. For more information about the position contact: Cheryl Probert, Forest Supervisor, by email at [cheryl.probert@usda.gov](mailto:cheryl.probert@usda.gov).

For information on how to apply for a federal job, the salary, or job series, visit the [US Office of Personnel Management website](#).

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**Nez Perce-Clearwater NF**  
**Deputy Forest Supervisor/GS-340-14 (PFT)**

**OUTREACH RESPONSE FORM**

*Duty Station: Kamiah, Idaho*

If you are interested in this position, please complete this outreach interest form and email to Cheryl Probert, [cheryl.probert@usda.gov](mailto:cheryl.probert@usda.gov)

**PERSONAL INFORMATION:**

**Name:**

**E-Mail:**

**Address:**

**Work Phone:**

**Alternate Phone:**

Agency Employed with:  USFS  Other (Please list):

Type of appointment currently under (please check one):

Permanent  Temporary  Term  Other (Please list):

**Current Title:**

**Current Series/Grade:**

**Current Region/Forest/District/Unit:**

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

- Persons with Disabilities  Former Peace Corp Volunteer  
 Veterans Recruitment Appointment  Pathways Program  
 Disabled Veteran w/30% Compensable Disability  Other (explain):  
 Veteran Employment Opportunities Act of 1998

**Please describe why you will be a quality candidate for this position. Attach your response to this outreach. Thank you! This outreach form does not constitute an application. The vacancy announcement will be available on the USAJOBS website: [www.usajobs.gov/](http://www.usajobs.gov/)**