



Employment Outreach Notice

U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service

Pacific Northwest Research Station Resource Monitoring and Assessment Program

GS-0462-05/06 Prefield Forestry Technician

2 Positions

Forest Inventory and Analysis

Portland, OR

PLEASE REPLY by July 1, 2020

About the positions...

Two permanent, full time positions in Portland, OR. The positions are career ladder with the full performance level at a GS-06.

These positions are with the Data Collection Team of the PNW Research Station's Resource Monitoring and Assessment (RMA) Program, Forest Inventory and Analysis (FIA) unit. The FIA unit is part of a nationwide program which collects, processes, analyzes, evaluates, and publishes comprehensive information on forest and other related renewable resources. Administration for the Data Collection team is located in Portland, Oregon and field crews are remotely stationed throughout Washington, Oregon and California. These positions support the field staff by preparing forest inventory plot materials.

The Prefield Forestry Technicians are responsible for tracking, filing, and maintaining over 35,000 forest inventory field plot files. This position researches, assembles and prepares materials for field research work by using databases of historical information and by creating aerial images and maps using ArcGIS software. The incumbents will review plot information for land conditions and interpret land conditions using aerial imagery. These position also assists in the coordination and maintenance of the National Ownership Management database, including data input, record keeping, data retrieval, and correspondence.

These positions are nonsupervisory and work under the direct supervision of the Prefield Coordinator.



We are looking for individuals who:

- Have knowledge of forest sampling methods and recording procedures.
- Have the ability to assess land use and forest conditions using aerial imagery.
- Have knowledge of database software to enter, query, and manage data.
- Have knowledge of ArcGIS software to generate aerial imagery and maps.
- Have knowledge of computer applications and technology to produce correspondence, reports, and spreadsheets.
- Has the ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing in order to coordinate work and to write reports that accurately describe on-the-ground conditions.

IF YOU'RE INTERESTED...

If you are interested in the Prefield Forestry Technician positions with Pacific Northwest Research Station in Portland, Oregon, please use the attached response form to express your interest by **July 1, 2020** and you will be notified when the positions are advertised. You can send your response electronically to: melissa.patterson@usda.gov (please use the subject line "Prefield Forestry Tech").

Please visit our team's website for more information, including an information page on how to join our team! <https://www.fs.usda.gov/pnw/program/rma/>

For more information about the duties and work conditions of this position, please contact: Melissa Patterson, Prefield Coordinator at melissa.patterson@usda.gov, or 620 SW Main St, Ste. 502 Portland, OR 97205.

PLEASE NOTE: This is a pre-announcement only. The purpose of this Outreach Notice is to determine the potential applicant pool for this position and to establish the appropriate recruitment method and area of consideration for the advertisement. Responses received from this outreach notice will be used to make this determination. The vacancy announcement for this position, when open, will be posted at the USA Jobs website, the U.S. Government's official site for jobs and employment information: <http://www.usajobs.gov/>.

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OUTREACH RESPONSE FORM

Prefield Forestry Technician GS-462-05/06 Forest Inventory and Analysis



PNW Research Station, Resource Monitoring and Assessment Program

Submit this form to melissa.patterson@usda.gov with the subject line Prefield Forestry Tech

PLEASE REPLY by July 1, 2020

NAME: _____
 EMAIL ADDRESS: _____
 MAILING ADDRESS: _____
 TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____

If you are currently employed by the Federal Government:

WHAT AGENCY ARE YOU EMPLOYED BY: _____
 TYPE OF APPOINTMENT (check): PERMANENT _____ TEMPORARY _____ TERM _____
 OTHER *Describe:* _____

If employed by the Forest Service:

CURRENT REGION/FOREST/DISTRICT/STATION: _____
 CURRENT SERIES AND GRADE: _____
 CURRENT POSITION TITLE: _____

If you are not currently a Federal Employee:

CURRENT EMPLOYER: _____
 CURRENT POSITION TITLE AND SALARY: _____

Are you eligible for appointment under any of the following special authorities or non-competitive hiring authorities?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Former Peace Corps | <input type="checkbox"/> Veteran's Employment Opportunities Act of 1998 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Person with Disabilities | <input type="checkbox"/> Veteran's Readjustment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Student Employment Program | <input type="checkbox"/> Reinstatement Eligibility |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Veteran with 30% Compensable Disability | <input type="checkbox"/> Land Management Workforce Flexibility Act |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lateral transfer or reassignment | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

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