# USDA FOREST SERVICE PACIFIC NORTHWEST REGION

# Outreach Notice Umpqua National Forest

Temporary Seasonal FIRE Opportunities For the 2023 Fire Season



The Umpqua National Forest is planning to fill several temporary FIRE positions including Fire Fighting (Hand Crews Engine Crew), Dispatchers, Preventions and Lookouts at multiple duty locations. These temporary positions can start as early as May 15th and usually end by mid-October. These positions are hired under the GS-3/4/5 Forestry Technician (Fire Suppression) and may include: Hotshot /Hand crew, Engine Crew, Prevention, Look-out and Dispatch.

To be considered for jobs on the Umpqua National Forest, you will need to select one or more of the following Oregon locations in USA Jobs when you submit a job application: **Cottage Grove, Glide, Idleyld Park (Diamond Lake), Tiller or Roseburg.** 

The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law provides a supplemental salary increase of \$20,000 per year, or 50% of base salary (whichever is less), for wildland firefighters employed by the U.S. Forest Service.

For our location – hourly rates for the following GS levels are:

GS-03-01 = \$20.67/hr

GS-04-01 = \$23.20/hr

GS-05-01 = \$25.95/hr

You can read more about this in the <u>Inside the Forest Service article: Update: Wildland firefighter pay, classification in infrastructure law.</u> Review the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) for more information.

Job announcements will be posted in USA Jobs on **September 29, 2022, and close on October 6th, 2022 at 11:59 PM EST.** This outreach notice will be updated and re-posted once announcement numbers are generated.

Applicants may apply for these jobs through the USA Jobs website at https://www.usajobs.gov. Applicants are encouraged to read the vacancy announcements thoroughly for specific information about job requirements, how to apply, and most importantly, points of contact and phone numbers for more detailed guidance on available positions. Having a simple, completed resume is very helpful prior to starting the online application.

For more information about the application process and to search for job opportunities, please visit the following website: <a href="https://www.fs.fed.us/working-with-us/jobs">https://www.fs.fed.us/working-with-us/jobs</a>

**XXXX** = Announcement Numbers yet to be assigned; will update as info is issued

POSITION TITLE / SERIES / GRADE	ANNOUNCEMENT NUMBER	DUTY LOCATIONS (ALL
		WITHIN OREGON)
GS-0462-05-Forestry Technician (Fire)	22-TEMPF4-R6-XXXX-5DH	US/OR – Tiller, ***Glide, Roseburg,
·		Cottage Grove,*** Idleyld Park
GS-0462-04-Forestry Technician (Fire)	22-TEMPF4-R6-XXXX-4DH	US/OR – Tiller, ***Glide, Roseburg,
·		Cottage Grove,*** Idleyld Park
GS-0462-03-Forestry Aid (Fire)	22-TEMPF4-R6-XXXX -3DH	US/OR – Tiller, ***Glide, Roseburg,
·		Cottage Grove,*** Idleyld Park
GS-0462-05-Forestry Technician	22-TEMPF4-R6-XXXX -5DH	US/OR - Roseburg
(Hotshot/Handcrew)		
GS-0462-04-Forestry Technician	22-TEMPF4-R6 <mark>- XXXX</mark> -4DH	US/OR - Roseburg
(Hotshot/Handcrew)		
GS-0462-05-Forestry Technician (Fire	22-TEMPF4-R6 <mark>- XXXX</mark> -5DH	US/OR - Roseburg
Dispatcr)		
GS-0462-04-Forestry Technician (Fire	22-TEMPF4-R6- <mark>XXXX</mark> -4DH	US/OR - Roseburg
Dispatch)		
GS-0462-05-Forestry Technician	22-TEMPF4-R6-XXXX -5DH	US/OR - Cottage Grove
(Lookout)		
GS-0462-04-Forestry Technician	22-TEMPF4-R6-XXXX -4DH	US/OR – Cottage Grove
(Lookout)		
GS-2151-04-Automotive Equipment	22-TEMP4-R6-XXXX -4DT-NB	US/OR - Roseburg
Dispatcher (Logistics) Non-Fire PD		
GS-2151-05-Automotive Equipment	22-TEMP4-R6-XXXX -5DT-HC	US/OR - Roseburg
Dispatcher (Logistics) Non-Fire PD		

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Denotes that Duty Location can be interchangeable for these two sites

The following Hiring Managers are listed below with applicable duty locations, please contact for information.

Name	Email	Title	Phone	Duty Locations
Fhurer Orejuela	Fhurer.orejuela@usda.gov	Hiring Manager Fire	541-496-3532	Cottage Grove & Glide, OR
Jed Getman	Jedediah.getman@usda.gov	Hiring Manager Fire	541-825-3532	Idleyld Park, OR (Diamond Lake)
Dustin Thompson	dustin.thompson@usda.gov	Hiring Manager Fire	541-825-3123	Tiller, OR
Jake Garate	Jacobe.Garate@usda.gov	Hiring Manager IHC	541-496-3542	Roseburg, OR
Tahnee Morgan	tahnee.morgan@usda.gov	Hiring Manager Dispatch	541-957-3326	Roseburg, OR

#### The Process and Timeline

**August 15, 2022**—Outreach begins. Information is available on the USFS Outreach Notification web page at https://fsoutreach.gdcii.com/

**September 29, 2022** –Vacancy announcements will be activated in <u>USAJobs.</u>

**October 6, 2022** — Application deadline, 11:59 EST. Apply through www.usajobs.gov. Applicants are encouraged to apply for multiple locations (only where they would accept a position if offered).

**January 19 – February 23, 2022**— Selections. Representatives from the Umpqua National Forest will make recommendations for hiring. Candidates selected will be notified by a Umpqua National Forest representative by phone. Those not selected should check your USAjobs account for status updates. During the selection week candidates will be given 12 hours to respond to voicemails or emails from the recommending officials. It is highly encouraged to be available via phone during this time.

**Early April** – Earliest possible start date (EOD).

#### Who May Apply:

Applications will be accepted from any U.S. citizen.

## **How to Apply:**

Please print and read the entire announcement and all the instructions in USAJOBS before you begin. **Ensure you** completely read and address specialized experience in your resume as denoted in "how you will be evaluated".

You must complete the application process and submit all required documents electronically by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time (ET) on the cut-off date or closing date of the announcement. Assistance is available during business hours (normally 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Monday - Friday). Applying online is highly encouraged. If applying online poses a hardship, please contact FS HRM Contact Center Phone: 877-372-7248 Option 2 well before the closing date for an alternate method. All hardship application packages with supporting documents must be received no later than noon on the closing date of the announcement in order to be entered into the system prior to its closing. This agency provides reasonable accommodation to applicants with disabilities on a case-by-case basis. Please contact FS HRM Contact Center if you require this for any part of the application and hiring process.

#### Step1 – Create a Login.gov account

If you already have an account, skip to Step 2). You must create a login.gov account to sign in to USAJOBS. The service login.gov offers secure and private online access to government programs. To create a login.gov account, visit <a href="https://www.login.gov/help/">https://www.login.gov/help/</a>

#### Step2 - Create a USAJOBS account

(If you do not already have one) at www.usajobs.gov. It is recommended that as part of your profile you set up automatic email notification to be informed when the status of your application changes. If you choose not to set up this automatic notification, then you will have to log into your USAJOBS account to check on the status of your application.

#### Step 3 - Create a Resume with USAJOBS or upload a Resume into your USAJOBS account.

You may want to customize your resume to ensure it documents duties and accomplishments you have gained that are directly related to this position in order to verify that qualifications are met. In addition, your resume must

support your responses to the online questionnaire (you may preview the online questionnaire by clicking on the link at the end of the How You Will Be Evaluated section of the job announcement).

#### Step 4 - Click "Apply Online"

Follow the prompts to complete the Occupational Questionnaire and attach any additional documents that may be required. You can update your application or documents anytime while the announcement is open. Simply log into your USAJOBS account and click on "Application Status." Click on the position title, and then select "Update Application" to continue.

The following documents must be submitted to constitute a complete application package. It is your responsibility to ensure that all required documents are received within the required timeframes. Our office cannot be responsible for incompatible software, delays in the mail service etc. Failure to submit required, legible documents will result in elimination from consideration.

- **Resume** that includes the following information: 1) job information for which you are applying; 2) personal information; 3) education; 4) work experience with dates worked in following format MM/DD/YEAR; and, 5) other qualifications.
- **College Transcripts** if education is required for meeting basic qualifications and/or you are substituting education for specialized experience. An unofficial copy is sufficient with the application, however, if selected, an official college transcript will be required.
- References please include references with your resume. Please provide Name, phone number and current email address

NOTE: If a document is resubmitted, it replaces the previous submission, which means the previous document is no longer available to the Human Resources Office. If you are adding to, rather than replacing a previous submission, you must upload both the old document and the new document.

#### Agency Contact Information:

#### **HRM Contact Center**

Phone: 877-372-7248 Option 2

TDD: 800-877-8339

Email: <u>HRM Contact Center@usda.gov</u> Agency Information: USDA Forest Service

Do not mail in applications. See instructions on How to Apply.

#### Things to keep in mind when applying:

- Vacancy Announcements on USAJobs will give examples of the specialized experience for each
  position advertised. Ensure your resume matches the listed specialized experience requirement in
  plain language. This should be listed under a work experience that shows title, series, grade and
  time period performed so that HR can properly credit.
- Ensure all required documents listed in the vacancy announcement are attached to your application.
- Allow yourself plenty of time to apply for positions. The USAStaffing system closes all announcements at midnight Eastern on closing date.
- Print and read the entire vacancy announcement to ensure you have included all required information and documents.

#### Other places to have questions answered or get further information:

- FS Videos: Welcome to the Forest Service: Applying for a Job
- USA Jobs YouTube Videos: How to Apply for Federal Jobs

## **Working on the Umpqua National Forest**

The Umpqua National Forest covers nearly one million acres along the western slopes of the Cascade Mountains in Southwest Oregon. The Forest encompasses a diverse area of sparkling rivers and lakes, deep canyons, and rugged mountains up to 9,200 feet in elevation. The Umpqua produces a wealth of water resources, forest, wildlife, fish habitat, minerals, and outdoor recreation opportunities. Visitors discover a diverse place of thundering waters, high mountain lakes, heart-stopping rapids, and peaceful ponds. The Forest is characterized by its many waterfalls, acres of native forest, three wildernesses, and the Oregon Cascades Recreation Area. Also within the Umpqua is the Diamond Lake Recreation Composite, one of the largest developed recreational facilities within the Forest Service. About 75% of the Forest is within the Umpqua Basin, which is also the boundaries of Douglas County. The Forest comprises 25% of Douglas County.



## **NORTH ZONE**

The **North Zone** is comprised of the Cottage Grove, North Umpqua and Diamond Lake Ranger District Boundaries. The resources on the zone include:

Roseburg, OR:

1 Type 4 Engine 1 Type 1 IHC (Wolf Creek Hot Shots)

**Cottage Grove, OR:** 

1 Lookout

Glide, OR (North Umpqua):

2 Type 4 Engines (\*\*\*)

Idleyld Park, OR (Idleyld Park):

- 1 Type 4 Engines (\*\*\*)
- 1 Type 3 Engine
- 1 Type 2IA Crew (\*\*\*)

(\*\*\*) applicants who apply to these positions have a choice of duty location. You can choose either Glide, OR or Idleyld Park, OR

The **Cottage Grove Ranger District** is the northern most unit. The Fire Lookout is the only resource staffed at this location. Government housing doesn't exist near the ranger station, which is located two miles east of the center of

Cottage Grove and 20 minutes south of Eugene (plenty of services in both towns). One government house is available on a limited basis 17 miles from the office.

The **North Umpqua Ranger District** is located in **Glide**, 20 minutes east of Roseburg. While no government housing exists next to the ranger station, it is available at the Steamboat Compound 20 minutes East of Glide on the North Umpqua River. Glide has a convenience store, Dollar General, post office, a few restaurants, churches, and schools.

The **Diamond Lake Ranger District** office is located in **Toketee**, 60 miles east of Roseburg and 40 miles east of Glide. In **USAJobs**, *the duty station is listed as Idleyld Park*, *OR*. Government housing is available on the Toketee Compound, just minutes' walk from the office. You can walk to Toketee Reservoir for boating and fishing. This duty station is in the heart of the Forest with plenty of recreation opportunities just minutes away. It is 65 miles to the nearest full-service grocery store or medical services.

## **SOUTH ZONE**

Tiller Ranger District is the forests southernmost unit. Tiller hosts the following resources:

Two Type 3 Engines

One Type 6 Engine

One Type 2 IA Crew

Government housing may be available and is less than a mile from the district office. There is no cell phone service, but Wi-Fi is available. Tiller has one small convenience store, a café and a post office. It's a 30-minute drive to Canyonville or Shady Cove which have a full-service grocery store and limited medical services, and 60 minutes to Roseburg or Medford.

The **Supervisor's Office** is in Roseburg, population 21,000, which offers multiple stores, restaurants, churches, theaters, clubs, and other services. **Centralized dispatch** – Roseburg Interagency Communication Center is in the S.O., which also houses two other federal agencies. **No government housing is available**.

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# **Outreach Notice Reply**

If you are interested in any of these positions, please complete the following information by January 15, 2022, and email to the respective contacts for the duty location (s) your applying for if you applied for one of the listed vacancies.

Note that the announcements are ONLY open from Sept. 29 thru Oct. 6th

Please respond to the outreach if you are interested in obtaining one of these positions. Your response is important in allowing supervisors to know who has applied to their positions and allows you the opportunity to learn more about the position prior to it being filled.

Personal Information:		
	Name:	
	Address:	
	E-mail:	
	Phone:	
	Do you qualify for the 462 Series: ☐Yes ☐No	
	Have you worked as a 1039 seasonal in fire previously? ☐Yes ☐No	
	If YES, what Agency and location:	
	Have you attended S-130, S-190(Fire School) ? ☐Yes ☐No	
	Do you have any Red Card Qualifications? Please list	
	Do you have other relevant qualifications?	