

### ROGUE RIVER - SISKIYOU NATIONAL FOREST Jobs Open Now!!!



**Society of American Foresters Hiring Event** 

## The Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest is hiring <u>8 Permanent, Full-Time</u>, positions at the Society of American Foresters Event for:

# TIMBER SALE PREPARATION and TIMBER SALE ADMINISTRATION.

#### Interested Candidates check out these links for more details:

- For hiring event and position information visit <u>Forestry and Timber Career Opportunities | US</u> <u>Forest Service (usda.gov)</u>
- To learn about eligibility details and Forest Service Hiring visit: <u>Jobs Your New Career Starts</u> <u>Here | US Forest Service (usda.gov)</u>
- Follow link for USA jobs below in table to apply.

#### > The application period is only open until November 1, 2023!!!

Pathways - Recent Grad Authority						
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	Forester – Timber					
24-NPT-SAF-460-	Sale				Gold Beach and Cave	
57-RG	Administration	0460	5/7	9	Junction, OR	USA Jobs
Pathways - Indefinite Internship Authority						
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499460-INT-Rev1	(Forestry)	0499	3/4/5	9	Prospect, OR	USA Jobs
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24-NPT-SAF-462-	Forestry Tech –				Junction, and Powers,	
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24-NPT-SAF-460-	Forester – Timber				Gold Beach and	
79-FS-CAB	Prep	0460	7/9	9	Powers, OR	USA Jobs
	Forester – Timber				Gold Beach and Cave	
24-NPT-SAF-460-	Sale				Junction, OR	<u>USA Jobs</u>
57-FS-LD	Administration	0460	5/7	9		

Recruitment will be virtual as well as on-site from Sacramento, California from October 25, 2023 through October 28, 2023. This annual hiring event ensures we hire the next generation of leaders that reflect the communities we serve in mission-critical and hard-to-fill occupations and locations. Group announcements will be posted to USA Jobs October 24, 2023 through November 1, 2023. Applicants do not need to be at the SAF Conference to apply or be considered. Estimated tentative job offers in late December or early January. Start dates are likely to occur March through April 2024. Government housing may be available.

If you have questions about the hiring event, please direct them to <u>SM.FS.SAF-hiring@usda.gov</u>; or if you have questions about specific positions, please contact Anna Sweeney (<u>anna.sweeney@usda.gov</u>). Government housing may be available.

#### About the Positions:

## Forestry Technician - Timber Sale Administration, Harvest Inspector (GS-0462-04/05/06/07) – duty station Powers, Gold Beach, and Cave Junction, OR.

This position will assist with inspection and compliance of timber sale contract operations. This work involves working with sale administrators and timber sale operators to inspect compliance with timber sale contracts. This exciting work gets you in the field, working with logging operations to meet the natural resource objectives. This important work helps to ensure the contract is followed, works to protect environmental resources while removing timber to meet the land management objectives of our National Forests. This work will require some travel to where active operations are occurring or where priority needs arise.

## Forestry Technician - Timber Sale Administration, Sale Administrator (GS-0460-05/07/09) – duty station Gold Beach and Cave Junction, OR.

This position inspects timber sale operations for compliance with the terms and conditions of the contract. This work requires the incumbent to serve as the day-to-day contact with the Purchaser and Field Representative (operator) reporting on the level of compliance with the contract requirements. You provide direction and serve as a work lead to Harvest Inspectors, take direction from the Forest Service Representative, and serve the Contracting Officer. This exciting work gets you in the field, inspecting all aspects of logging operations to ensure the natural resource objectives are achieved. This important work helps to ensure the contract is followed, works to protect environmental resources while removing timber to meet the land management objectives of our National Forests. This work will require some travel to where active operations are occurring or where priority needs arise.

#### **Forester – Timber Sale Preparation (GS-0460-07/09) – duty station Gold Beach and Powers, OR** The full performance level for this position is a GS9. This position would be a project lead, responsible for overseeing timber sale contract preparation. The Prospect Ranger District has very productive sites and a very competitive timber market area, making for some high value sales and an exciting timber preparation program. This position would get you a wide variety of skillsets and experiences for foresters looking for a challenging and rewarding position. This work would

- primarily involve timber sale prep work for timber sale contracts, including:
  - Overseeing/coordinate crews for on the ground contract preparation
  - Logging systems layout and design (skyline, tractor, and helicopter)

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- Overseeing/developing the timber cruise and measurements
- Coordinating with specialists to meet resource objectives and protect sensitive resources
- Prepare field maps and organize project data and track project progress

#### **General duties for all field going positions**

Takes and/or records basic measurements such as compass readings, distance measurements, tree heights, tree diameters, tree growth, and determines common species. Receives training on marking trees using tools such as Spiegel Relaskop, clinometer, compass, chain, diameter tape, increment borer, electronic field data recorder, etc. Selects and marks individual trees for harvest using well defined marking guidelines, silviculture prescriptions, and specific instruction. Estimates individual tree volume by established methods. Traverses harvest units, utilizing GPS receivers, and read and utilize maps in the field. Designates sale area and cutting unit boundaries on the ground. Depending on grade, may provide leadership and direction to a crew performing a variety of field measurements, collection and monitoring tasks.

#### **Physical Ability Requirements**

You will need to be physically able to work outdoors for the majority of the day in the summer heat and cold rainy weather. This requires the physical ability to pack 20-30 lbs. of gear, through steep terrain, not on trails, and for the majority of the day. The Klamath/Siskiyou Mountains are rugged terrain, so be prepared to work on steep slopes.

#### About the Communities

#### Prospect, OR

Prospect (population 1,400), Oregon is located 45 miles north of Medford (population 82,000) and 30 miles south of Crater Lake National Park. Medford sits in the Rogue Valley which has a total population of around 215,000. This small mountain town and has two stores, two gas stations, a pizza parlor, two restaurants, a post office, a laundromat, K-12 Charter school, a volunteer ambulance and volunteer fire department, and five churches. Summers are pleasant with warm days and cool evenings. Precipitation increases during the fall and spring, with an average yearly rainfall of 35-60 inches. Winter temperatures fluctuate between 5 and 60 degrees. Snowfall averages 1-2 feet near Prospect and increases dramatically at higher elevations.

The District is known for its towering trees, scenic beauty, and the Rogue River. The terrain varies from 2700' elevation up to 6300' along the Rogue-Umpqua Divide. Douglas fir, white fir, ponderosa pine, and sugar pine dominate the forested slopes at lower elevations, with lodge pole pine and Shasta fir abundant in the higher areas. Much of the landscape is the result of the Cascade Mountain range's volcanic activity, coupled with the powerful erosive force of the Rogue River and its many tributaries. The Rogue River- Siskiyou NF is home to an incredible abundance of Wild and Scenic Rivers (over 200 designated miles among the Rogue, Chetco, Illinois, Elk and Smith Rivers), seven wilderness areas (350,000 acres), outstanding fisheries and wildlife resources and ruggedly breathtaking landscapes of mountains, rivers, and lakes with occasional meadows.

#### **Cave Junction, OR**

The Wild Rivers Ranger District is known for its wild rivers, botanical diversity, old growth forests, and rugged character. Located in beautiful Southwest Oregon, it extends from west of the city of Grants Pass to the middle of the Kalmiopsis Wilderness, from Northern California to the Rogue River and the lower portion of the Applegate Valley. Major access routes are Interstate 5 and Highway 199. It is situated in the center of remote forest lands with the Kalmiopsis Wilderness in the north and west, the Siskiyou and Red Buttes Wilderness in the south, and many wild areas in between. The area offers hiking, fishing, rafting, kayaking, bicycling, sledding and much more. In the mountains you can camp, hunt, hike or explore the Kalmiopsis Wilderness Area where the plant life is a botanical wonder. Nearby golf courses include the Grants Pass Golf Club an 18 hole semi-private course and the Illinois Valley Golf Course, A 9-hole par 36 course located in Cave Junction. Near Cave Junction is the state's first national monument, the Oregon Caves.

The Pacific Coast is about a one-hour drive from Cave Junction and the Wild Rivers Ranger Station. The coast boasts tide pools, beautiful beaches, and plenty of lodging and restaurants. On the way, travelers will pass through the Redwoods National Park.

Cave Junction is located 12 miles north of the California border 30 miles southwest of Grants Pass is home to the Wild Rivers Ranger Station. With a population of 1,900 it is the major town in the Illinois Valley. It is within commuting distance of Grant Pass, OR, a full-service community.



#### Powers, OR

Powers is located in the southwestern corner of Oregon, approximately 75 miles west of I-5 and 50 miles east of the Pacific coast. It is nestled in a valley ringed by steeply forested mountains of the Coast Range, and retains the close-knit, small-town character of a Pacific Northwest logging community. Powers is a small community of about 750 people. It is 21 miles to the next nearest town which is Myrtle Point and 30 miles from the Coos County seat, Coquille. Principal industries include: timber, ranching and recreation. The road south follows the South Fork of the Coquille River entering the Rogue River - Siskiyou National Forest 4 miles from town.

The area around Powers offers excellent opportunities for outdoor recreation. Deer and elk hunting are excellent, as is salmon and steelhead fishing in the Elk River, Sixes River and the South Fork of the Coquille River. The world famous Rogue River is approximately 35 miles south of Powers via the Agness Road. Powers County Park is located 3/4 miles north of Powers. There are several points of interest on the Powers Ranger District including: Big Tree (the world's largest Port Orford-cedar), five year-round campgrounds, and several Wilderness areas. The district is well known for its tremendous salmon/steelhead fisheries and wide range of wildlife species.



#### **Gold Beach, OR**

This is awesome place to live and work, on scenic and rugged coast along the mighty Pacific Ocean with wild, clear rivers cutting through the forested mountains. Gold Beach and Powers Ranger District boast 5 wild and scenic rivers, including the famous Rogue River. If you do get stuck in the office occasionally, ocean views from the office or a short walk to the beach will cheer you up. After work you can surf, walk the beach, fish for steelhead, salmon or ocean fish, swim in the beautiful rivers, and a lot more.

Gold Beach is a town of about 2500 people, located in Curry County in the southwestern part of Oregon. Brookings is a town of about 7000 which is about 27 miles from Gold Beach, with lots of amenities and restaurants. Gold Beach and Brookings are a resort/beach towns with a variety of recreation opportunities including surfing, great salmon and steelhead fishing, beachcombing, backpacking, kayaking, rafting, trail hikes, river and ocean excursions, and golf courses. It is a beautiful place to be, and arguably the most beautiful stretch of coastline Oregon.



#### About the Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest

The <u>Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest</u> covers 1.8 million acres in southwest Oregon and northwestern California, primarily in the watershed of the Rogue River. It encompasses parts of the Cascade Mountains, Siskiyou Mountains, and Oregon Coast Range. The Forest is recognized for its biological diversity, scenery, and outdoor recreation opportunities.

Located in southwest Oregon, along the California/Oregon state line and bordering the Klamath National Forest to the south, the Fremont-Winema Forest to the east and the Umpqua National Forest to the north, the Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest ranges from the crest of the Cascade Mountains west to the Siskiyou Mountains and nearly to the Pacific Ocean. The Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest covers almost 1.8 million acres and is unique in its botanical diversity, largely due to the bisection of the South Cascades and Siskiyou Mountain Ranges.

The Forest is also home to an incredible abundance of Wild and Scenic Rivers (over 200 designated miles among the Rogue, Chetco, Illinois, Elk and Smith Rivers), 7 wilderness areas (350,000 acres), outstanding fisheries and wildlife resources and ruggedly breathtaking landscapes of mountains, rivers and lakes with occasional meadows.

The Rogue River National Forest (until 1932 called the Crater National Forest) was established by President Theodore Roosevelt in 1908. The name Rogue River commemorates the Takelma Indians, whose defense of their homeland let early day French-Canadian trappers to call them les Coquins, "the Rogues". The Siskiyou Forest Reserve was established by President Theodore Roosevelt in 1905, and the Reserve was designated as the Siskiyou National Forest in 1907. The name Siskiyou is a Cree Indian word for bob-tailed horse (bestowed in 1828 by French Canadians working for the Hudson Bay Company).

The Forest itself is composed of two distinct geological provinces: The Cascade Range and the Siskiyou Mountains. The Cascade Range is dominated by snowcapped volcanic peaks such as 9,495 foot Mt. McLoughlin located within the Sky Lakes Wilderness on the High Cascades Ranger District. The Siskiyou area embodies the most complex soils, geology, landscape, and plant communities in the Pacific Northwest. World-class wild rivers, biological diversity, remarkable fisheries resources, and complex watersheds define the Siskiyou. The Rogue River-Siskiyou is the most floristically diverse National Forest in the country with some extraordinary botanical resources. The unique character of the landscape has led to the designation of over 340,000 acres of the Forest as wilderness, and over 200 miles of streams as National Wild and Scenic Rivers. Wilderness areas managed all or in part by the Forest include: Sky Lakes, Rogue-Umpqua Divide, Red Buttes,



Kalmiopsis, Siskiyou, Wild Rogue, Grassy Knob and Copper Salmon. National Wild and Scenic Rivers include: Upper Rogue, Illinois, North Fork Smith, Chetco, Elk, and Rogue.

The Forest Supervisors office is co-located with the Medford District of the Bureau of Land Management in Medford, OR and is adjacent to the Rogue Valley International Airport. The forest administers five ranger districts. On the west side of the forest, the Gold Beach

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Ranger District office is located in Gold Beach and the Powers Ranger District office is in Powers. On the east side of the forest, the Ashland Ranger District office is located in the community of Star in the Applegate Valley; the High Cascades Ranger District office is co-located in Prospect and Butte Falls; and the Wild Rivers Ranger District is co-located in Cave Junction and in Grants Pass at the Grants Pass Interagency Office.

The forest leadership team manages a large and complex resource management program, including over 2 million recreation visitors per year, 40 to 50 MMBF of timber harvest per year and a significant wildlife and fisheries programs recognized for collaborative aquatic restoration projects. Several volunteers and partners associated with forest collaborative and restoration work have received national and regional recognition for their efforts. Natural resource management interest is high in the local and diverse rural and urban communities, representing opposing ends of the socio-political spectrum, from environmental advocacy groups to historically active mining communities.

The large natural resource program requires an extensive forest infrastructure, consisting of approximately 5,500 miles of roads, 133 road bridges, over 1,500 miles of trails, 326 developed recreation sites including the Mount Ashland Ski Area, 9 major administrative sites, including the Medford Air Tanker Base, the Siskiyou Rappel Base, and the J. Herbert Stone Nursery, one of the largest nurseries in the nation.

#### For additional forest information: http://www.fs.usda.gov/rogue-siskiyou

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