

# OUTREACH NOTICE MALHEUR NATIONAL FOREST Engineering & Minerals Staff

John Day, OR

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# PERMANENT HIRE GS-0802-5/6/7/8/9 North Zone Road Manager POSTED: December 11th, 2020

The Malheur National Forest is looking for a highly motivated individual to permanently serve as the North Zone Road Manager with a duty station at the Supervisor's Office in John Day, Oregon and will assist with projects across the Forest. The purpose of this Outreach Notice is to inform prospective applicants of the upcoming opportunity, and to determine interest in the position.

The Malheur National Forest is at the center of a nationally recognized effort that is doubling the scale of restoration in Eastern Oregon. If you are looking for an opportunity to do ground breaking nationally recognized work we are certain you will find a refreshing approach to leadership in natural resource management.

Please submit your response on the outreach form at the end of this document and include a resume.

# Your response by Friday, January 1st, 2021 would be greatly appreciated.

Anyone interested in further information may contact Matthew Smith, Assistant Forest Engineer, at (541) 620-8063 or via email at <u>matthew.smith6@usda.gov</u>.

**About the Position:** This position serves as a primary staff to the Assistant Forest Engineer and is responsible for the operations and maintenance of the transportation system for the Malheur National Forest, with primary responsibilities on the Blue Mountain Ranger District. Specifically, the incumbent will:

• Coordinate with other federal, state, county, and local governments and private landowners on road use and maintenance matters.

• Work closely with other engineers and resource area specialists to accomplish project design, contract preparation and implementation.

• Conduct road condition surveys, develop cost estimates and create road maintenance, construction, and reconstruction contract packages for timber sales and stewardship contracts associated with large landscape level restoration projects.

• Conduct preliminary surveys and site investigations to obtain baseline and field data on soils, topography, drainage, existing structures and utilities, and feasible layout of proposed roads or structures in relation to terrain.

• Develop project plans, specifications and estimates for contract advertisement, ensure compliance with environmental requirements and determine practicability from a construction standpoint. Projects may include design and construction of roads, bridges, drainage structures, watershed restoration, facility maintenance and other projects.

• Serve as an Inspector, Engineering Representative, or Contracting Officer's Representative and perform inspection of construction operations for compliance with intent of design and specifications; interpret plans and specifications; confer with contractor representatives to resolve differences.

**ABOUT THE AREA:** John Day and Prairie City: Both communities, Prairie City and John Day, lie at the head of the John Day River Valley, the last major undammed tributary of the Columbia River. The area offers unlimited outdoor recreational opportunities including hunting (elk, deer, upland birds), fishing, hiking, mountain biking/cycling, camping, beautiful scenery, winter sports such as cross country and back country skiing, snow shoeing or snowmobiling. It offers wide open, uncrowded spaces for those seeking peace and solitude. The upper John Day River Valley is home to the majority of the 7200 residents of Grant County. John Day/Canyon City constitutes the primary population "center" (est. Pop. 2500) and county seat. It is a full service community with a hospital, medical and dental offices, elementary, junior high and high school, restaurants, motels, grocery and drug store, bed and breakfasts, city swimming pool and historical museums. There is a County airport with a local flying club, fairgrounds, 4-H opportunities, soccer, baseball, volleyball, and softball leagues. Nearby, at the base of the beautiful Strawberry Mountain Range, lies the town of Prairie City (est. Pop. 1000). It has one elementary, junior high and high school, a dental office, several restaurants and coffee shops, Historic Hotel Prairie, an antique store, Bed and Breakfasts, and the historical Sumpter Valley Railroad Museum. The surrounding countryside is a combination of forested mountains, high desert plateaus, and rolling prairie.

The closest urban centers include Baker City, Oregon (1.5 hours east), La Grande, Oregon (2.5 hours northeast), Bend, Oregon (3 hours west), Boise, Idaho (3 hours southeast) and Pendleton, Oregon (2.5 hours north).

For further information about the area, please visit Grant County Chamber of Commerce https://www.gcoregonlive.com/ and Harney County Chamber of Commerce http://www.harneycounty.com/

**FOREST OVERVIEW**: The Malheur National Forest encompasses nearly a million and a half acres of wilderness, rangeland, and general forest in the majestic Blue Mountains of Eastern Oregon. It sustains a diversity of vegetation ranging from juniper-sagebrush woodlands and bunchgrass grasslands to high elevation alpine forests of sub alpine fir and white bark pine. Extensive tracts of ponderosa pine, western larch, Douglas fir, grand fir and lodge pole forests occur between the juniper/grassland foothills and alpine peaks. Elevations range from 4000 feet to 9038 feet atop beautiful Strawberry Mountain. The majority of the Forest lies in Grant and Harney counties, with portions in Baker and Malheur counties. State Highway 395 bisects the Forest north-to-south, and State Highway 26 from east-to-west. The Forest has 3 ranger districts at this time; Blue Mountain Ranger District, Prairie City Ranger District to the north, and the Emigrant Creek Ranger District to the south. For more Forest Overview: <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/malheur/">http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/malheur/</a>.

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SERIES/GRADE: GS-0802-5/6/7/8/9
UNIT: Engineering & Minerals Staff
DUTY STATION: Supervisor's Office, John Day, OR 97845
DATE OF NOTICE: December 11th, 2020

## **APPLICANT INFORMATION:**

NAME:	
E-MAIL ADDRESS:	
MAILING ADDRESS:	
STREET ADDRESS:	
CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE:	
TELEPHONE:	

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Series:					
Grade:					
Position Title:					

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