

OUTREACH NOTICE OUTREACH NOTICE

USDA FOREST SERVICE
Region 5 - Pacific Southwest Region
Klamath National Forest
Goosenest Ranger District
Visitor Services Information Assistant GS-1001-05

The Klamath National Forest will soon be filling a **GS-1001-5 Visitor Services Information Assistant** at the Goosenest Ranger District Office. This position is a permanent full time position with a duty station of Macdoel, California. This notification is being circulated to inform prospective applicants of this upcoming opportunity and to determine the level of interest we may see when the vacancy announcement is posted. Please see the following pages for information on the position, the Klamath National Forest and the community. If you are interested in applying for the position, we would appreciate your completing the attached form and returning it to the contact person below:

Duties:

The incumbent performs routine visitor services, operates a variety of equipment including public address system, video cassette player, switchboard, etc, coordinates information with other districts and forests to ensure that consistent information is given to the public, provides information to both internal and external customers, meets visitors and responds to verbal inquiries, replies independently to phone and mail inquiries requesting general information about Forest Service, maintains maps, handouts and other publications, inputs information to website, works with district fire prevention department when contacting schools to educate children about fire prevention, serves as district liaison in other front liner groups, aids with input of vehicle usage each month, maintains the backup tapes for district computer files, responsible for entries to National Weather Service Bureau, and serves as the primary collection officer for district.

About the Forest:

The Klamath National Forest covers an area of 1,700,000 acres located in Siskiyou County, Northern California and Jackson County, Oregon. The Forest includes all or part of five wilderness areas; Marble Mountain, Russian, Trinity Alps, Red Buttes and Siskiyou. Trailheads are numerous, and hikes range from easy to arduous. If it's a wilderness experience you seek, the Klamath is the place to come.

In the lower elevations, you'll find park-like stands of Ponderosa Pine trees, while in the higher elevations, the Douglas fir, sub-alpine fir and mixed conifer stands beg to be explored. There are 200 miles of river system for rafting and 152 miles of wild and scenic rivers in the forest. In addition, the Klamath National Forest offers 28 campgrounds, hiking, fishing and wildlife viewing. With the Klamath, Salmon and Scott

Rivers meandering from one end of the Forest to the other, recreationists have found a playground that can meet the desires of all. This beautiful Forest is a haven for campers, hikers, wildlife watchers, hunters, fishermen, mountains bikers, white water enthusiasts and naturalists.

The Forest also helps to meet local and national needs for timber, gold, and other natural resources. Proactive vegetation management is an important element of caring for our public lands, and the professional staff of the Klamath leads the way by setting the standards for others to follow. With that, the preservation of biological diversity, and the sustainment of Forest Health are important to us.

About the Community

The Goosenest Ranger District office is located in the Butte Valley, 3.5 miles south of Macdoel on State Highway 97 in Siskiyou County, California. The office is 35 miles south of Klamath Falls, Oregon and 15 miles south of Dorris, California. The total population of Butte Valley is 2,500. Although there are few homes available nearby the district office, housing is abundant and affordable within a 45 mile radius of the office. Average home prices are below \$200,000 and very nice homes can still be found below \$125,000. Rentals vary depending on location and features, so averages are hard to figure. Most rentals are under \$700 monthly.

The Goosenest Ranger District administers 341,000 acres of the total 514,000 acres within the district boundary. The district enjoys sunshine on the average 275 days per year. The elevation is 4,300 feet which produces a high, dry climate. Winter snowfall is normally light and melts quickly. The average annual temperature is 48 degrees F and average annual precipitation is 14 inches, The average high temperature in July is 80 degrees F, with the average low in January 22 degrees F.

Recreational opportunities and facilities are abundant in the Butte Valley. The Goosenest Ranger District has 3 campgrounds. The most popular is Juanita Lake, covering 40 acres with 23 units, Martin's Dairy and Shafter Campgrounds are also available on the district.

The wide variety of wildlife draws a large number of hunters to our area. Mule and black-tailed deer, Rocky Mountain and Roosevelt Elk, along with bands of antelope, are seen throughout the year. Butte Valley lies in the major stopping off place for the waterfowl in the Pacific Flyway. At the peak of migration (October), the numbers of waterfowl are estimated between 3 to 4 million. The Lower Klamath Refugee (bordering the District) and the Butte Valley Wildlife Area are 2 of the wildlife refuges in our area. Bird watchers and photographers enjoy Canada Geese, many species of ducks, bald and golden eagles, goshawks and swans, just to name a few.

For winter recreation, there are 2 snowmobile parks available. Deer Mountain Snowmobile Park is on Forest Road 42N12 on the Pomeroy and Deer Mountain roads and the Four Corners Snowmobile Park is on Forest Road 45N05 off the Davis Road. Juanita Lake Campground offers a fully groomed cross country ski trail. Also popular during December and January is Chariot Racing on Sunday afternoons on the Sheep

Mountain road off Highway 97, north of the district office. In the spring and summer months, camping and fishing dominate recreation use on the district.

More information about the forest can be found on the Klamath National Forest website.
<http://www.fs.fed.us/r5/klamath/>

FOREST SERVICE EMPLOYEES ON THE WORKFORCE REDUCTION PLACEMENT SYSTEM LIST WILL RECEIVE PRIORITY CONSIDERATION AND CTAP/ICTAP CANDIDATES WILL RECEIVE THE APPROPRIATE CONSIDERATION.

HOW TO APPLY:

The vacancy announcements will appear on the Office of Personnel Management's USAJOBS website:
<http://www.usajobs.opm.gov>

The process of applying will take place on the AVUE Digital Services website: <http://www.avuedigitalservices.com> by setting up your profile in AVUE Digital Services and marking interested vacancies, you should receive an e-mail when the announcement is actually posted.

To track fire vacancies in Region 5: <http://www.fs.fed.us/r5/fire/trackingdb/postings.html>

For any technical questions regarding the above positions, please contact:

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OUTREACH RESPONSE FORM
(Please return by 19 March 2010)

Position: **Visitor Services Information Assistant**

Location: **USDA Forest Service – Klamath National Forest, Macdoel, CA**

PLEASE NOTE: 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 (e.g., target grade or multi-grade and service-wide, region-wide, government-wide, or DEMO). Responses received from this outreach notice will be relied upon to make these determinations. Please have Interest Form to pmelum@fs.fed.us or fax number 530 8414571 by March 19, 2010,

NAME: _____

LOTUS NOTES OR E-MAIL

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____

AGENCY EMPLOYED WITH: USFS ____ BLM ____ OTHER ____

TYPE OF APPOINTMENT *IF* CURRENT GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE:

____ PERMANENT ____ TEMPORARY ____ TERM

____ VRA ____ PWD ____ OTHER

CURRENT REGION/FOREST/DISTRICT (IF APPLICABLE):

CURRENT SERIES AND GRADE (IF APPLICABLE): _____

CURRENT POSITION TITLE: _____

How did you hear about this position?

Organization Name _____

Agency Contact _____

Other _____

IF NOT A CURRENT PERMANENT (CAREER OR CAREER CONDITIONAL) EMPLOYEE, ARE YOU ELIGIBLE TO BE HIRED UNDER ANY OF THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL AUTHORITIES:

____ PERSON WITH DISABILITIES

____ VETERANS READJUSTMENT

____ DISABLED VETERANS W/30% COMPENSABLE DISABILITY

____ VETERANS EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES ACT OF 1998

____ FORMER PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEER

____ STUDENT CAREER EXPERIENCE PROGRAM

____ OTHER _____

SUBMISSION OF THIS FORM IS VOLUNTARY—THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST!