OUTREACH NOTICE
USDA FOREST SERVICE
Nez Perce – Clearwater National Forests
Silviculture Technician GS-0462-6/7
Palouse Ranger District (1 position)
Red River Ranger District (1 position)

The Palouse Ranger District and the Red River Ranger District on the Nez Perce – Clearwater National Forests are each looking for an individual interested in a district Silviculture Technician position. These two positions would each be permanent full time positions. Hiring may be at the GS-6 or 7 level depending on experience and/or education.

DUTIES OF THE POSITION:

This position is located on a National Forest Ranger District unit to perform a variety of technical tasks associated with timber stand improvement and reforestation. The incumbent resolves a full range of irregular or problem situations encountered when performing a wide variety of nonstandard technical tasks or assignments pertaining to timber stand improvement (TSI) or reforestation operations. Incumbent participates in development of schedules and work plans for monitoring and inspecting these activities. Performs reforestation and stocking surveys in accordance with established procedures to determine planting needs, need for site preparation, plantation conditions and seedling survival. Performs TSI surveys to determine stand condition and need for TSI treatment, such as precommercial thinning, mistletoe treatment, pruning and fertilization, etc.

Develops planting contracts, schedules annual surveys, orders tree seedlings, etc. Collects technical data needed to prescribe stand treatment. Incumbent is responsible for data entry and processing including updating timber stand activity data in the FACTS and FSVEG databases. Incumbent serves as Contracting Officer Representative (COR) or inspector on reforestation, timber stand improvement service contract projects. Develops service contracts and writes supplemental specifications to fit site specific project situations. Ensures all provisions are enforced and proper measures are taken to protect or enhance values in accordance with contract objectives. Prepares and submits inspection reports, checks for compliance on needed corrective actions, and recommends final acceptance of the contract upon completion.

Incumbent determines the relative abundance and species of seed cones by monitoring the developing cones and pollen buds. Collects and processes cones for reforestation needs. Tree climber certification will be required, and training will be provided as it is offered.

The incumbent will also be expected to acquire Geographic Information System (GIS) proficiency. Training will be provided as it is offered.

TOUR OF DUTY:
Permanent Full Time

DUTY STATION:
One position will be stationed at the Palouse Ranger District office which is located on the outskirts of Potlatch, ID. The district is easily accessed via state highways. State Highways 95, 3, 6 and 8 traverse the district. The land is extremely productive. The Giant Cedar grove houses a western red cedar that is eighteen feet in diameter and is purported to be the largest tree in North America between the Cascade Range and the Mississippi River. The
district is the center of western white pine restoration and, until 1999 when it succumbed to a combination of pathogens; the largest Western white pine was located on the district. This basic land productivity provides glorious habitat for a rich variety of animals and plants, including big game. The area is known for its big game hunting opportunity.

One position will be stationed at the Red River Ranger District office which is located at Elk City, Idaho. The District office is accessed via state highway 14 along the South Fork Clearwater River from Grangeville, Idaho. The District office is located literally at the end of the road, and portions of two wilderness areas are located on the District, including the Frank Church and Gospel Hump wilderness areas.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION:

Potlatch is located in Latah County about 18 miles north of Moscow, Idaho at the edge of the Palouse Prairie. The Palouse Prairie is a fertile farmland area of rolling grain fields. Potlatch is located in this picturesque prairie – forest interface. Moscow, Idaho is the Latah County seat. Potlatch is a small town with a population of about 800. It serves as a bedroom community to Moscow, ID and Pullman, WA.

Elk City is an unincorporated community of approximately 300, located in Idaho County about 53 highway miles from Grangeville, Idaho. It is a semi-remote location with few public services available. Grangeville is the nearest full service community. Back country recreation including hunting, fishing, hiking, and snowmobiling are primary recreation activities. The local communities are heavily dependent on Forest timber resources, aquatic restoration, and recreation.

HOUSING:

Bunkhouse style housing may be available in Potlatch at a rate of $4.20 per day.

Government housing may be available at the Elk City Ranger Station or Red River Ranger station, approximately 17 miles from Elk City. Rates vary with available quarters, which may include bunkhouse space, single occupancy, duplex or 4-plex housing.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS: The selected individuals would be expected to work at elevations ranging from 3,000 to 9,000 feet and on steep slopes of 20 to over 80 percent. Cross country travel through brush and slash should be expected, and the carrying of field packs and equipment weighing 25 pounds or more. Working conditions are usually hot and dry in the summer months and cold and wet in the winter & spring months. Applicants should be physically prepared to work in these environments.

INTERESTED/QUESTIONS:

For the position on the Palouse Ranger District contact Marcus Chin – District/Zone Silviculturist at 208-476-8221 or Susan Shaw – District Ranger at (208) 875-1131 or sshaw@fs.fed.us.

For the position on the Red River Ranger District contact Gene DeLimata – District/Zone Silviculturist at 208-842-2100 or Terry Nevius District Ranger at (208) 842-2245 or tnevius@fs.fed.us for additional details or questions.

Thank you for your interest in temporary employment with the United States Department of Agriculture Forest Service.
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United States Department of Agriculture – Forest Service

Palouse Ranger District – Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forest
1700 Highway 6, Potlatch, ID 83855

Title: Forester (Silviculture) Technician
Grade/Series: GS-0462-6/7
Duty Station: Potlatch, Idaho 83855
Opportunity Type: Pre-Vacancy Announcement
Outreach Open: May 18, 2012
Outreach Close: June 19, 2012

NAME: ____________________________
ADDRESS: ____________________________
MAILING ADDRESS: ____________________________
TELEPHONE NUMBER: ____________________________
AGENCY EMPLOYED WITH: ____________________________

TYPE OF APPOINTMENT: PERMANENT TEMPORARY OTHER

CURRENT REGION/FOREST/DISTRICT OR MAILING ADDRESS:

CURRENT SERIES AND GRADE: ____________________________
CURRENT POSITION TITLE: ____________________________

IF YOU ARE NOT A CURRENT PERMANENT EMPLOYEE (CAREER OR CAREER CONDITIONAL), ARE YOU ELIGIBLE TO BE HIRED UNDER ANY OF THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL AUTHORITIES?
(PLACE AN X BY APPROPRIATE SELECTION)

[ ] PERSON WITH DISABILITIES
[ ] VETERAN'S REEMPLOYMENT ACT
[ ] DISABLED VETERAN'S W/ 30% COMPENSABLE DISABILITY
[ ] VETERAN'S EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES ACT OF 1998
[ ] FORMER PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEER
[ ] OTHER

Thank you for your interest in our vacancy!

Return this form to:
Palouse Ranger District
1700 Highway 6
Potlatch, ID 83855
Attention: Susan Shaw, District Ranger
Email To: sshaw@fs.fed.us
Primary Contact: Susan Shaw – Email: sshaw@fs.fed.us – Phone: (208) 875-1131
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416 FS Drive, Elk City, ID 83525

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_____ Person with Disabilities
_____ Veteran's Reemployment Act
_____ Disabled Veteran's W/30% Compensable Disability
_____ Veteran's Employment Opportunities Act of 1998
_____ Former Peace Corps Volunteer
_____ Other

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P.O. 416
Elk City, ID 83525
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Email To: tnevius@fs.fed.us
Primary Contact: Terry nevius – Email: tnevius@fs.fed.us – Phone: (208) 842-2245