

## Forestry Technician (Recreation)

### FOREST SERVICE

MANY vacancies in the following locations:

-  Alturas, CA
-  Bishop, CA
-  Blairsden, CA
-  Cedarville, CA
-  Challenge, CA
- [More Locations \(37\)](#)

Work Schedule is Multiple Schedules  
- Temporary

Opened Tuesday 1/17/2017  
(0 day(s) ago)

 Closes Monday 1/23/2017  
(6 day(s) away)

#### Salary Range

\$14.07 to \$14.07 / Per Hour

#### Series & Grade

GS-0462-04/04

#### Promotion Potential

04

#### Supervisory Status

No

#### Who May Apply

US Citizens and Nationals; no prior Federal experience is required.

#### Control Number

460339600

#### Job Announcement Number

17-TEMP-R5-0462-4REC-DT

### Job Summary

A career with the Forest Service will challenge you to manage and care for more than 193 million acres of our nation's most magnificent lands, conduct research through a network of forest and range experiment stations and the Forest Products Laboratory, and provide assistance to State and private forestry agencies.

It's an awesome responsibility - but the rewards are as limitless as the views.

This position is temporary and has a Not-to-Exceed date. However, an extension of the appointment may be possible without further competition. The appointment may also end early due to lack of work or funds.

The position is located on a Forest Service unit. Incumbent performs a variety of technical work in support of the unit recreation program.

This vacancy announcement is for one or more locations throughout Region 5. The number and location of positions to be filled will be dependent upon individual unit needs.

TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT: Some positions will have varying work schedules. Some positions may have irregular and protracted hours of work. Tours of duty include full-time or less than full-time and will involve working weekends or irregular work hours. Considerable travel may be required. Some positions involve work that requires travel away from the official duty location to remote worksites within commuting distance (49 miles).

Positions will be filled as a temporary appointment up to 6 months.

Hourly wage as shown is Rest of U.S. (RUS). Specific wage rate will vary by location and may be higher or lower than the amount shown on the vacancy announcement. <http://www.opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/pay-leave/salaries-wages/>

The USDA Forest Service has legislative authority to recruit and fill Permanent (Career/Career- Conditional), Temporary, and Term Appointments under the USDA Demonstration Project. Under this authority, any U.S. citizen may apply.

## Duties

Contacts visitors to provide information about recreation regulations, opportunities, and current restrictions. Provides information on resource management practices in the area. Maintains contact with Campground Host(s). Checks for compliance with regulations, issues notices for common violations, and reports other violations to supervisor. At designated fee sites, collects monies from sale of recreation use permits, safeguards money and unused permits.

Assures recreation area and trails are maintained in accordance with standards. Constructs and rehabilitates minor recreation facilities and trails.

Makes safety checks of public use areas and takes corrective action.

On occasion, directs or leads one or two lower grade employees engaged in recreation maintenance and/or contract work. Makes day-to-day assignments and ensures quality of completed work.

## Travel Required

- Occasional Travel
- Per Work Assignment

## Relocation Authorized

- No

## Key Requirements

- You must be a U.S. Citizen or U.S. National
- Males born after 12/31/59 must be Selective Service registered or exempt
- Satisfactory background investigation and/or fingerprint check

## Qualifications

You must possess the Basic Requirements identified below to be considered eligible for this position. Transcripts must be provided for qualifications based on education. Your application or resume must clearly show that you possess the appropriate experience requirements.

GS-04: (6) Six months of general experience and (6) six months of specialized experience.

General Experience is defined as: Performed farm/ranch labor, such as feeding and tending livestock or general maintenance of farm/ranch facilities; Cleaned tools and equipment; Worked in a greenhouse or nursery moving, watering, and tending plants and performing other general labor; Worked on a landscape or construction crew; Other work experience, paid or unpaid, that demonstrates an ability to learn and perform the work of this position.

Specialized Experience is defined as: Forestry aid or technician work in recreation such as providing visitors with information and collecting monies. Or performing crew based forestry related support work such as recreation trail or facility maintenance. -OR

Successful completion of 2 years of study that included at least 12 semester hours in any combination of courses such as forestry, agriculture, crop or plant science, range management or conservation, wildlife management, watershed management, soil science, natural resources (except marine fisheries and oceanography), outdoor recreation management, civil or forest engineering, or wildland fire science. No more than 3 semester hours in mathematics is creditable. -OR

A combination of education and experience listed above.

To receive consideration for this position, you must meet all qualification requirements on the closing date of this announcement.

Experience refers to paid and unpaid experience, including volunteer work done through National Service programs (e.g., Peace Corps, AmeriCorps) and other organizations (e.g., professional; philanthropic; religious; spiritual; community, student, social). Volunteer work helps build critical competencies, knowledge, and skills and can provide valuable training

and experience that translates directly to paid employment. You will receive credit for all qualifying experience, including volunteer experience.

**ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:**

No Additional Requirements

**Security Clearance**

Other

**What To Expect Next**

Your application will be reviewed to verify that you meet the eligibility and qualification requirements for the position prior to issuing referral lists to the selecting official. If further evaluation or interviews are required, you will be contacted. Log in to your USAJOBS account at <https://my.usajobs.gov/Account/Login> to check your application status. We expect to make a final job offer approximately 40 days after the deadline for applications.

**BENEFITS**

As a temporary employee you may be eligible for health benefits. To be eligible for health coverage as a temporary employee, you must be scheduled to work at least 130 hours per month (30 hours/week) and be expected to work at least 90 days or more. If you meet these requirements, you will receive the government contribution towards the cost of the insurance and pay the same rate as permanent, full time employees.

For the list of health plans available and the employee costs for the health plans please see:

<http://www.opm.gov/healthcare-insurance/healthcare-plan-information/>

**Other Information**

- **BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION AND FINGERPRINT CHECK:** Selection and retention in this position is contingent on a successfully adjudicated FBI National Criminal History Check (fingerprint check) and a background investigation.
- Bargaining Unit Status: Eligible - Coverage is dependent upon unit location.
- Career Transition Assistance Plan (CTAP) or Interagency Career Transition Assistance Plan (ICTAP): If you are claiming CTAP or ICTAP eligibility, provide proof of eligibility. CTAP/ICTAP eligibles must meet the agency's definition for a quality candidate as provided in the How You Will Be Evaluated section of this announcement to be considered. Information about CTAP/ICTAP eligibility is on OPM's Career Transition Resources website at <http://www.opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/workforce-restructuring/employee-guide-to-career-transition/>
- Direct Deposit – Per Public Law 104-134 all Federal employees are required to have federal payments made by direct deposit to a financial institution of your choice.
- If you are newly hired, the documentation you present for purposes of completing the Department Homeland Security (DHS) Form I-9 on your entry-on-duty date will be verified through the DHS "E-VERIFY" system. Federal law requires the use of E-VERIFY to confirm the employment eligibility of all new hires. Under this system, the new hire is required to resolve any identified discrepancies as a condition of continued employment.
- If you are retired from the Federal Government and are selected for this vacancy, your retirement annuity may be offset from your pay.
- This position is not eligible for telework.
- Availability of government housing and federal day care facilities will vary by location.

Please read the entire announcement and all instructions before you begin. You must complete this application process and submit all required documents electronically by 11:59p.m. Eastern Time (ET) on the closing date of this announcement.

Applying online is highly encouraged. We are available to assist you during business hours (normally 8:00a.m. - 4:00p.m.,

Monday - Friday). If applying online poses a hardship, contact the Agency Contact listed below well before the closing date for an alternate method. All hardship application packages must be complete and submitted no later than noon ET 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; contact the Agency Contact to request this.

To begin, click "Apply Online" and follow the instructions to complete the Assessment Questionnaire and attach your resume and all required documents.

**NOTE:** You must verify that uploaded documents from USAJOBS transfer into the Agency's staffing system. Applicants may combine all like required documents (e.g., all SF-50s) into one or more files and scan for uploading into the application. Each file must not exceed 3MB. Grouping like documents into files will simplify the application process. Documents must be in one of the following formats: GIF, JPEG, JPG, PDF, PNG, RTF, or Word (DOC or DOCX). Uploaded documents may not require a password, digital signature, or other encryption to open.

Please view [Tips for Applicants](#)— a guide to the Forest Service application process

## How You Will Be Evaluated

You will be evaluated in accordance with the category rating procedure as defined in the USDA Demonstration Project Plan. Applicants who meet the basic minimum qualification requirements established for the position will be placed in the Eligible category. Eligible applicants will be further evaluated against criteria for placement in the Quality category. This evaluation is based on the level of your experience, education, and/or training as determined by your responses to the Assessment Questionnaire. Applicants with veterans' preference are listed ahead of applicants who do not have veterans' preference within each category.

**Note:** If, after reviewing your resume and/or supporting documentation, a determination is made that you have inflated your qualifications and or experience, your rating may be lowered to more accurately reflect the submitted documentation. Please follow all instructions carefully. Errors or omissions may affect your rating. Providing inaccurate information on Federal documents could be grounds for non-selection or disciplinary action up to including removal from the Federal service.

Clicking the link below will present a preview of the application form; i.e. the online questionnaire. The application form link below will only provide a preview and does not initiate the application process. To initiate the online application process, click the "Apply Online" button to the right.

To view the application form, visit:

<https://fs.usda.ntis.gov/cp/?event=jobs.previewApplication&jobid=110C3BA1-550A-457A-BD8F-A68000BD82C7>

The following documents are required for your applicant package to be complete. Our office cannot be responsible for incompatible software, illegible fax transmissions, delays in the mail service, your system failure, etc. Encrypted documents will not be accepted. Failure to submit required, legible documents may result in loss of consideration.

- Resume that includes: 1) personal information such as name, address, contact information; 2) education; 3) detailed work experience related to this position as described in the major duties including work schedule, hours worked per week, dates of employment; title, series, grade (if applicable); 4) supervisor's phone number and whether or not the supervisor may be contacted for a reference check; 5) other qualifications.
- If education is required or you are using education to qualify, you must submit a copy of your college transcripts. An unofficial copy is sufficient with the application; however, if you are selected, you will be required to submit official

transcripts prior to entering on duty. Education must have been successfully obtained from an accredited school, college or university. If any education was completed at a foreign institute, you must submit with your application evidence that the institute was appropriately accredited by an accrediting body recognized by the U.S. Department of Education as equivalent to U.S. education standards. There are private organizations that specialize in this evaluation and a fee is normally associated with this service. For a list of private organizations that evaluate education, visit

<http://www.naces.org/members.htm>. All transcripts must be in English or include an English translation.

- If claiming veterans preference, you must submit a DD214, Certificate of Release from Active Duty, which shows dates of service and discharge under honorable conditions. If currently on active duty you must submit a certification of expected discharge or release from active duty service under honorable conditions not later than 120 days after the date the certification is submitted. Veterans preference must be verified prior to appointment. Without this documentation, you will not receive veterans preference and your application will be evaluated based on the material(s) submitted.
- If claiming 10-point veterans preference you must provide the DD214 or certification requirements (see above bullet), plus the proof of entitlement of this preference as listed on the SF-15 Application for 10-point Veterans Preference. The SF-15 should be included but is not required. Failure to submit these documents could result in the determination that there is insufficient documentation to support your claim for 10-point preference. For more information on veterans preference see <http://www.fedshirevets.gov/job/vetpref/>
- Surplus or displaced employees eligible for CTAP, RPL, or ICTAP priority must provide: proof of eligibility (RIF separation notice, notice of proposed removal for declining a transfer of function or directed reassignment to another commuting area, notice of disability annuity termination), SF-50 documenting separation (as applicable), and your most recent SF-50 noting position, grade level, and duty location with your application per 5 CFR 330.

### **MANY vacancies in the following locations**

- Alturas, CA
- Bishop, CA
- Blairsdon, CA
- Cedarville, CA
- Challenge, CA
- Chester, CA
- Corona, CA
- Dunlap, CA
- Fawnskin, CA
- Foresthill, CA
- Fort Jones, CA
- Gasquet, CA
- Georgetown, CA
- Groveland, CA
- Happy Camp, CA
- Hat Creek, CA
- Hathaway Pines, CA
- Idyllwild, CA
- Kernville, CA
- Lee Vining, CA
- Lone Pine, CA
- Lytle Creek, CA
- Mad River, CA
- Mammoth Lakes, CA
- Mi-Wuk Village, CA
- Mountain Gate, CA
- Nevada City, CA
- Orleans, CA
- Oroville, CA
- Pinecrest, CA
- Pioneer, CA

- 📍 Pollock Pines, CA
- 📍 Prather, CA
- 📍 Quincy, CA
- 📍 Ramona, CA
- 📍 San Fernando, CA
- 📍 Springville, CA
- 📍 Truckee, CA
- 📍 Tulelake, CA
- 📍 Weaverville, CA
- 📍 Willow Creek, CA
- 📍 Willows, CA



## Department Of Agriculture

### Forest Service

#### Contact

HRM Contact Center  
Phone: 877-372-7248 option 2  
800-877-8339  
Email: [fsjobs@fs.fed.us](mailto:fsjobs@fs.fed.us)

#### Address

Forest Service  
Do not mail applications see instructions on How to  
Apply tab.  
Albuquerque, NM

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866-339-2695