Outreach Notice

Permanent/Full-time position

Northern Region Missoula, MT
Lands Special Uses
Assistant Program Manager
GS-1170-11/12 or GS-1170-12

The Forest Service Northern Region will be filling a permanent, full-time Lands Special Uses Assistant Program Manager. Depending on the responses to this outreach, the job will be advertised and filled as a GS-11/12 or GS-12. The job is located in Missoula, Montana and is a bargaining unit position. Position closes 5/12/2016.

This is a highly technical, diverse, and complex lands special uses program spanning a variety of authorization types including: roads and public highways, recreation residences, water uses, commercial filming, research, electric transmission and distribution, oil and gas pipelines, communication sites, and telephone and fiber optic systems. This position requires outstanding communication skills to interact with various local, state, federal, and Tribal governments; private, industry, and issues-based interest groups; line officers, program managers, and resource specialist at the Ranger District, Forest/Grassland Supervisor’s Office, and Washington Office levels; Congressional staff; and attorneys for the USDA Office of the General Counsel, Department of Justice, and external interests. Knowledge of adverse actions, appeals, litigation, regulation and policy regarding special use authorizations; negotiation skills, and business acumen are required.

The position will assist the Regional Land Uses Program Manager in providing leadership, strategic direction/guidance, and technical advice for lands special uses to the Region 1 Regional Forester, Forests/Grasslands Supervisors, District Rangers, and their respective staffs. The position also advises agency Headquarters staff on emerging needs for new or revised agency policy regarding lands special uses.

If you are interested in this opportunity, contact Brandon C. Smith at (406) 329-3110, brandonCsmith@fs.fed.us.