USDA FOREST SERVICE, SOUTHERN REGION, R8
National Forests in Florida, Apalachicola National Forest
Wakulla Work Center

Forestry Technician (Trails), GS-0462-07

The Apalachicola National Forest will be announcing a Forestry Technician (Trails) position for the Wakulla Work Center based out of Tallahassee, Florida. This notification is being circulated to inform prospective applicants of the upcoming opportunity.

How to Apply

The vacancy announcement for this position will be posted on the U.S. Government's official website for employment opportunities at www.usajobs.gov. This position is being announced under announcement number “to be announced”.

The announcement will be posted on TBA. Those that wish to be considered for this position must apply to the vacancy announcement by TBA. Be sure that your resume clearly supports your responses to all the questions addressing experience and education relevant to this position. Applicants who meet the basic minimum qualification requirements and are determined to be among the best qualified candidates will be referred to the hiring manager for consideration.

Outreach Response

Interested applicants, or those desiring further information, contact or submit the below response to Jerry Emerick at (850) 926-3561 extension 6513, fax (850) 926-1904, or email at jemerick@fs.fed.us.

About the Position

The incumbent serves as a principal assistant on a Ranger District performing work in support of the unit’s recreation trails program. Responsible for on-the-ground management of the OHV program and assists with administration of a variety of special use permits.

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Major Duties

Assists in the development and the accomplishment of the district’s OHV program within the framework of existing planning documents. Patrols OHV use areas to ensure areas are operated, used and maintained in accordance with the recreation plan and other appropriate planning documents. Prepares for review by supervisor, environmental documents for OHV projects and special use events.

Coordinates and develops a recreation plan for developed and dispersed recreation sites. Plans are for recreation and wilderness area maintenance, rehabilitation, reconstruction, and construction projects in accordance with program management goals. Recommends specific requirements for use of OHVs and the proposed recreation facilities.

Implements and manages the unit’s OHV recreation program, including but not limited to, identifying and conducting maintenance and reconstruction of OHV routes.

Works with others in the development of budget data for the new and developed recreation sites and trails for OHVs.

Monitors, inspects, and reports on contracted operations for compliance with contract provisions. Jointly prepares, administers and inspects OHV outfitter guide permits. Issues notices of field violations when violations of regulations are encountered. Conducts investigation, collects evidence and prepares case reports on violations. Serves as a Forest Protection Officer (FPO).

Operates and maintains, in safe working order, assigned vehicles, motorcycles and ATV and trail maintenance equipment and specialized equipment used. Enforces Title 36 CFR requirements, or comparable and related regulations. Provides supervision and training of all personnel in preparation for operation of equipment.

Assists with the enforcement of Off-Road-Vehicle (ORV) restrictions, including maintenance and posting of regulatory signs and enforcement of restrictions. Monitors, inspects, and reports on contracted operations for compliance with contract provisions. Assures that recreation fees are collected for all fee areas and that the funds are accounted for and transmitted to the appropriate unit. Enforces all regulations and rules of law. May appear before third party at hearings.

Provides public information and interpretive services, including detailed information concerning recreational opportunities. Educate OHV users on potential resource damage caused by illegal use. Serves as liaison with community organizations and interest groups to stimulate interest in and utilization of forest recreation facilities.

Responsible for preparation and administration of recreation event special use permits. Monitors permittee compliance with special use permits. Requests immediate corrective action where public health and safety are involved.

Implements and manages recreation operation and maintenance plans for developed and dispersed recreation sites. Responsible for taking action to correct any deficiencies within the approved operating plan. Implements corrective measures or recommendations to improve the administration of recreation programs. Responsible for gathering the necessary information for project proposals, reports, surveys, and other needs by making on-the-ground field inventories, use counts, time
studies, etc. for the development of new recreation sites. Gathers necessary data and recommends a course of action or placement of facilities. Monitors and assess recreation facilities and the condition of the facilities and sites.

Conducts Limits of Acceptable Change (LAC) studies, interpreting findings, making recommendations, and suggesting alternative methods for meeting objectives and complying with policies.

The incumbent is required to operate Government vehicles that meet the definition of a Commercial Motor Vehicle (CMV) under 49 CFR 382.107, which requires the operator to possess a valid Commercial Driver’s License (CDL).

Based on this collateral duty the incumbent is subject to random drug testing and will be placed in the applicant testing pool.

Performs other duties as assigned.

**District Information**

The Apalachicola National Forest consists of the Wakulla Ranger District in Crawfordville, Florida; and the Apalachicola Ranger District in Bristol, Florida. The duty station for the position is in Tallahassee Florida. For more information about the forest and local communities click on the websites below:


Outreach Response Form on next page.
Outreach Response Form
Forestry Technician (Trails), GS-0462-07
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Leon County Florida

NAME: ____________________________________________

EMAIL ADDRESS: __________________________________________

MAILING ADDRESS: ____________________________________________

CITY_________________________STATE____ZIP_________

TELEPHONE NUMBER: ______________________________

CURRENT SERIES AND GRADE: _____________________________

ARE YOU CURRENTLY A FEDERAL EMPLOYEE?  YES____ NO____

IF YES, CURRENT AGENCY AND LOCATION: __________________________

TYPE OF APPOINTMENT: Permanent____ Temporary____ Term____
VRA____ PWD ____ Other____

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THIS POSITION: __________________________

If you are interested in applying for this position, please return completed form on or before close of business on Friday, April 22nd via email to Jerry Emerick at jemerick@fs.fed.us or by surface mail to:

USDA Forest Service
Wakulla Ranger District
Attn: Jerry Emerick
57 Taff Drive
Crawfordville, FL  32327

Or Faxed to (850) 926-1904

Thank you for your interest in our vacancy!

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