



Employment Outreach Notice - USDA Forest Service
Lead Forestry Technician GS-0462-07
Pacific Northwest Research Station RMA Program

The PNW Research Station anticipates filling one **field data collection Lead Forestry Technician position in Mt Shasta, CA** with the Forest Inventory and Analysis (FIA) program.

****Please note: This position will be open to current Forest Service employees. The vacancy announcement for this position, when open, will be posted at the USA Jobs website, the U.S. Government's official site for jobs and employment information: <http://www.usajobs.opm.gov>.**

About the position:

This is a temporary promotion/detail not to exceed 1 year. The position may be extended up to four years depending on program needs and may be filled on a permanent basis without further competition. This is a seasonal position consisting of 18 pay periods of full time work (April-November) and 8 pay periods of non-pay status per year. Appointees may be offered the opportunity to work longer depending on workload and funding.

The PNWRS FIA unit is part of a nationwide program which collects, processes, analyzes, evaluates, and publishes comprehensive information on forest and other related renewable resources. Administration for this Data Collection team is located in Portland, Oregon and field crews are remotely stationed throughout Washington, Oregon and California.

The position will support work sampling field plots located on a systematic grid across all land ownerships and will be almost entirely field based. A wide variety of information is collected in the inventory, including: tree measurements; forest pathogens, understory vegetation composition and structure, stand treatments and disturbances, down woody material measurements, and land ownership. The areas sampled for the Forest Inventory by the PNW Research Station cover a diversity of ecological communities. Each crew covers a large area, and no matter where you work, you will see a wide variety of country.

Lead Forestry Technicians work under the direction of a state coordinator and lead a crew of one to three people. After a one to two week training session, each crew will use maps, aerial photos, and GPS units to navigate to permanent plot locations.

Each crew travels frequently and independently within their duty station area, with travel away from home including motel/hotel stays, car camping, and occasional backpacking for a significant portion of the field season (40-80%). In all areas, work conditions are often arduous. Work may be performed in inclement weather (cold, heat, rain, snow) and on rugged, steep, slippery, and/or brushy slopes. Significant amounts of on-trail and off-trail hiking are required. Field crews must carry a 45 lb pack daily, with pack weights sometimes exceeding 60 lbs. Exposure to hazards such as poison oak, bears, and insects is common. Some travel by helicopter, stock animal, or boat is occasionally required.



Location Information:

The Mt Shasta field crew covers the area of Northern California from the Pacific Ocean east to the Nevada State border. About 65% of this area is in the Klamath Mountain Province, with some work in the Siskiyou, Red Buttes, Marble Mountain, Russian, Trinity Alps, Castle Crags, Mt. Shasta, Lava Beds, and South Warner wilderness areas. Work in this region is challenging due to steep slopes and off trail hiking, but rewarded by the unique landscapes which the field crew visits.

Mount Shasta, CA is a mountain community with population 3,400 located in Southern Siskiyou County in far Northern California. Mount Shasta rests at 3,600', approximately 9 miles southwest of the 14,179' summit of its namesake volcano. A variety of outdoor activities including alpine climbing on Mt. Shasta, rock climbing at Castle Crags State Park, river rafting and kayaking on the Klamath River and its tributaries, trout fishing on the Sacramento, McCloud, and Pit Rivers, mountain biking on Mt. Shasta and the Klamath Mountains, and backpacking and hiking in the Marble Mountain and Trinity Alps Wilderness are available nearby. Interstate-5 is a major travel corridor running north-south through Mount Shasta. It is located about 1 hour drive south of Ashland, OR and 1 hour drive north of Redding, CA. For more information: <http://www.ci.mt-shasta.ca.us/>.

For more information:

Please visit our team's website, which includes an information page on how to join our team! <http://www.fs.fed.us/pnw/rma/fia-topics/data-collection/>

Please use the attached response form to express your interest and you will be notified when the position is advertised. Responses and/or inquiries should be sent to Marin Palmer, CA State Coordinator, mmpalmer@fs.fed.us. Please use the subject line "PNW-FIA-MtShasta".

This is a pre-announcement only. When the position is advertised, the announcement will be posted on the Office of Personnel Management web site: www.usajobs.gov. The announcement will contain all of the information you need to apply for the position.



OUTREACH NOTICE RESPONSE FORM

GS-0462-7 Lead Forestry Technician

PNW-FIA Field Crew

Pacific Northwest Research Station -- Resource Monitoring and Assessment Program

Please respond by 11/18/2015

NTE 1 Year Detail – Mt. Shasta, CA

Area of Consideration: Current Forest Service employees

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NAME:

EMAIL ADDRESS:

MAILING ADDRESS:

TELEPHONE NUMBER:

If you are currently employed by the Federal Government:

WHAT AGENCY ARE YOU EMPLOYED BY:

TYPE OF APPOINTMENT: PERMANENT ____ TEMPORARY ____ TERM ____ OTHER ____

If employed by the Forest Service:

WHAT IS YOUR CURRENT REGION/FOREST/DISTRICT/STATION?

CURRENT SERIES AND GRADE:

CURRENT POSITION TITLE:

Are you eligible for appointment under any of the following special authorities?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Former Peace Corps | <input type="checkbox"/> Veteran's Employment Opportunities Act of 1998 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Person with Disabilities | <input type="checkbox"/> Veteran's Recruitment Act |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Student Intern Program | <input type="checkbox"/> Reinstatement Eligibility |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Veteran with 30% Compensable Disability | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

Thank you for your interest in our vacancy.