

Announcement Notice – 2023 Summer Seasonal Positions

The Dixie National Forest is currently advertising for temporary seasonal (Not to exceed 1039 hrs) positions for the 2023 summer season. Openings may be available at the GS-03 to GS-07 levels in St. George, Cedar City, Panguitch, or Escalante, Utah depending on staffing needs and budgets. These are temporary seasonal positions with a three to six month tour of duty. Our work typically starts in May and we expect to operate until late September or early October depending on the season and budget.

Announcements are posted on USAJobs, the US Governments official jobs website (<u>www.usajobs.gov</u>) on the open date listed for each position. Applications must be received by midnight on the closing date to be considered.

## ALL POSITIONS OPEN ON SEPTEMBER 29, 2022 AND CLOSE ON OCTOBER 6, 2022

**POSITION INFORMATION:** Listed below are descriptions of positions that may be filled on the Dixie National Forest.

### Forestry Aids and Technicians, (Timber Sale Preparation) GS-0462-3/4/5

Duty Stations: Cedar City and Escalante, UT

Announcement#:	Job Title:	<b>Duty Station:</b>
23-TEMP3-R4-0015-3DT-ME	GS-3 Forestry Aid	Escalante
23-TEMP3-R4-0009-4DT-MM	GS-4 Forestry Technician	Escalante
23-TEMP3-R4-2466-4DT-ME	GS-4 Forestry Technician (Timber Sale Preparation)	Escalante
23-TEMP3-R4-0041-5DT-CB	GS-5 Forestry Technician (Timber Sale Preparation)	Escalante
23-TEMP3-R4-2466-4DT-ME	GS-4 Forestry Technician (Timber Sale Preparation)	Cedar City
23-TEMP3-R4-0006-5DT-AW	GS-5 Forestry Technician	Cedar City

**Duties:** Assigned to work on a timber marking crew. These crews perform timber marking, cruising and scaling of forest products, planting, site preparation, and timber land improvement projects. Collects, summarizes, and prepares requested timber reports and maps. The work is physically demanding and primarily performed in forest environments. Terrain may be steep, rocky, and covered with thick tangled vegetation.

### Forestry Aids and Forestry Technicians, (Recreation and Trails) GS-0462-3/4/5/6/7

Duty Stations: Cedar City, Escalante, Panguitch, and St. George, UT

Announcement#:	Job Title:	Duty Station(s):
23-TEMP3-R4-0015-3DT-ME	GS-3 Forestry Aid	Escalante
23-TEMP3-R4-2327-3DT-SC	GS-3 Forestry Aid (Recreation)	Escalante, Cedar City, Panguitch
23-TEMP3-R4-0009-4DT-MM	GS-4 Forestry Technician	Escalante, Cedar City
23-TEMP3-R4-0010-4DT-MG	GS-4 Forestry Technician (Recreation)	All Dixie NF Locations
23-TEMP3-R4-2860-4DT-SC	GS-4 Forestry Technician (Trails)	All Dixie NF Locations
23-TEMP3-R4-0017-5DT-MM	GS-5 Forestry Technician (Recreation)	St George, Cedar City, Panguitch
23-TEMP3-R4-2330-5DT-AW	GS-5 Forestry Technician (Recreation)	Escalante
23-TEMP3-R4-2861-5DT-AW	GS-5 Forestry Technician (Trails)	All Dixie NF Locations
23-TEMP3-R4-3786-5DT-MG	GS-5 Forestry Technician (Recreation)	Panguitch
23-TEMP3-R4-0024-6DT-MM	GS-6 Forestry Technician (Recreation)	St George
23-TEMP3-R4-0038-6DT-SC	GS-6 Forestry Technician (Wilderness/Trails)	St George
23-TEMP3-R4-2326-7DT-MG	GS-7 Forestry Technician (Wilderness/Trails)	St George
23-TEMP3-R4-5317-7DT-AW	GS-7 Forestry Technician (Recreation)	St George

**Duties:** Manage recreation sites, practice wilderness stewardship and maintain trails! Talk to forest visitors about recreation opportunities and current restrictions. Help explain resource management practices. Check adherence to rules and regs; work to gain compliance through education. Report any serious violations to supervisors. Ensure recreation areas and trails are maintained to Forest Service standards. Build and rehab minor recreation facilities and trails. Clean forest-road and backcountry dispersed sites. Naturalize well-loved sites to mitigate impacts and prevent resource damage. Install and maintain information boards and signage... and other duties as assigned! May be required to wear the finely tailored FS uniform and drive government vehicles including trailer-towing.

### Biological Science Aids and Technicians (Fish/Wildlife), GS-0404-3/4/5

Duty Stations: Cedar City, Escalante, Panguitch, and St. George, UT					
Announcement#:	Job Title:	Duty Station(s):			
23-TEMP3-R4-2267-3DT-ME	GS-3 Biological Science Aid	All Dixie NF Locations			
23-TEMP3-R4-0023-4DT-ME	GS-4 Biological Science Technician (Fish & Wildlife)	All Dixie NF Locations			
23-TEMP3-R4-4036-4DT-CB	GS-4 Biological Science Technician (Fish)	Cedar City			
23-TEMP3-R4-0021-5DT-AW	GS-5 Biological Science Technician (Wildlife)	All Dixie NF Locations			
23-TEMP3-R4-2296-5DT-SC	GS-5 Biological Science Technician (Fisheries)	Cedar City			
23-TEMP3-R4-2736-5DT-MG	GS-5 Biological Science Technician (Natural Resources)	St George			

**Duties:** The work performed is traditional hands-on wildlife and fisheries work. Performs assignments related to all types of wildlife, including small mammals, birds, carnivores, megafauna, fish, reptiles, amphibians, etc. Frequently, there is an integrated approach to address resource management issues, where the incumbent works as a member of a team to collaboratively achieve mutual goals and objectives. Assignments involve constructing or completing habitat project work such as: watershed development, fencing, or clearing areas to establish food that is more desirable or cover habitat. Conducts field surveys of birds requiring specialized experience identifying birds by sight or sound. Navigates on public and private road systems without direct supervision. Locates off-road study sites using compass, topographic maps and/or GPS unit. Records field data in a legible manner. Enters field data onto a computer database. May assist in proofing and editing data forms and databases. Maintains field equipment and vehicles in good working condition. As required, camps at remote locations on National Forest land.

### Range Aids and Technicians, GS-0455-3/4/5/6

Duty Stations: Cedar City, Escalante, Panguitch, and St. George, UT

Announcement#:	Job Title:	Duty Station(s):
23-TEMP3-R4-2367-3DT-ME	GS-3 Range Aid	All Dixie NF Locations
23-TEMP3-R4-2308-4DT-CB	GS-4 Range Technician	All Dixie NF Locations
23-TEMP3-R4-2309-5DT-ME	GS-5 Range Technician	All Dixie NF Locations
23-TEMP3-R4-2310-6DT-MM	GS-6 Range Technician	St George

**Duties:** Assists in carrying out rangeland management support projects. Checks range allotments to assess appropriate time to graze, compliance with management plans and operating instructions, number of livestock, herding procedures, salting, range improvement, maintenance, and the need for additional range improvements such as fences or water development. Inspects allotments before and after grazing for trespass stock and if found, gathers necessary brands, numbers, dates, and locations. Reports non-compliance or other management needs to the supervisor. Prepares charts, graphs, and/or reports using well-established specified procedures. Notes and reports on conditions such as range utilization, grazing impact, soil erosion, violations, or needed maintenance. Participates in noxious plant control, seeding, or similar projects. Identifies plant specimens in the field and collects and prepares specimens. Identifies plants and noxious weeds. Applies the proper chemicals to control noxious weeds. Works on range improvement construction and revegetation projects that include construction of fences, cattle guards, water developments, repairing fences, and seeding.

### **Biological Science Technicians (Plants), GS-0404-4/5**

**Duty Station: Cedar City, UT** 

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Announcement#:	Job Title:	Duty Station:
23-TEMP3-R4-0022-4DT-CB	GS-4 Biological Science Technician (Plants)	Cedar City
23-TEMP3-R4-0013-5DT-AW	GS-5 Biological Science Technician (Plants)	Cedar City

**Duties:** Assigned to work with a vegetation monitoring crew engaged in navigating to and re-measuring existing monitoring plots as well as establishing new plots. They will assess vegetation conditions using line intercept transects, determine % effective ground cover, measure other metrics in order to assess long term vegetation trends. Activities include travel by foot, truck and UTV to collect/record vegetation and landscape data; entering data; and presenting project information and results in organized formats. Camping in remote work sites for 4 to 8 days will be necessary.

#### Archeology Technician, GS-0102-5/7 Duty Station: Cedar City, UT

Announcement#:	Job Title:	Duty Station:
23-TEMP3-R4-2360-5DT-AW	GS-5 Archeology Technician	Cedar City
23-TEMP3-R4-2362-7DT-CB	<b>GS-7</b> Archeology Technician	Cedar City

**Duties:** Archaeological technicians work with a crew conducting field survey to identify archaeological and cultural resources. Surveys are guided using compasses and mapping applications across often variable and rugged terrain. Once identified, archaeological sites are recorded using Global Positioning Systems (GPS), photography, sketches and standardized forms. Assignments will expose individuals to a wide range of processes required for cultural resource management, including the laws, policies and regulations that guide federal archaeologists in managing cultural resources. Archaeological technicians will gain a better understanding of the archaeological resources, as well as the historic and prehistoric cultures across the Dixie National Forest. Position requires hiking in diverse conditions, travel to remote locations and some camping.

#### Hydrologic Technicians, GS-1316-3/4

Duty Stations: Cedar City, UT with possibly some overnight assignments in Escalante, UT

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Announcement#:				Job Title:		Duty Station:
23-TEMP3-R4-269	4-3DT-MG			GS-3 Hydro	logic Technician	Cedar City
23-TEMP3-R4-269	5-4DT-SC			GS-4 Hydro	logic Technician	Cedar City

**Duties:** As directed, performs technical work in the field and/or laboratory for a variety of tasks involved in the compilation and tabulation of technical data which serves as a base for more complex technical studies made by hydrologists, other physical science specialists or higher-level technicians. Works from specified data sources, assembles data from streamflow records. Performs various tasks relative to the computation, compilation, and presentation of basic hydrologic data for subsequent use by hydrologists and civil engineers. Performs other duties as assigned.

#### For more information about these positions or further application information please contact:

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## Working on the Dixie National Forest:

The Dixie National Forest occupies almost two million acres and stretches about 170 miles across southern Utah. The

Forest straddles the divide between the Great Basin and the Colorado River. The Forest averages around 100 fires a year in elevations that range from 3,000 ft to over 10,000 ft. Forest types vary from bristle cone pine, spruce-fir, ponderosa pine, to pinyon-juniper, sage-grass and desert shrubs.

The **Pine Valley Ranger District** is the western most unit. St. George is a full-service community with many of the same stores and opportunities found in larger cities and is situated about 2 hours north of Las Vegas along I-15. Recreation opportunities abound in close proximity from desert environments to high elevation forests and Zion National Park is a short drive from town.

The **Cedar City Ranger District** is located in Cedar City, about 45 minutes north of St. George. The Supervisor's Office and Color Country Interagency Fire Dispatch are also located in Cedar City. Cedar City is a full-service community with multiple grocery, convenience, and department stores, post office, restaurants, churches, and schools. The district provides numerous recreation opportunities like hiking, fishing, hunting, OHV trails and Zion and Bryce Canyon National Parks are both located less than 2 hours away.



The **Powell Ranger District** office is located in Panguitch, approximately 65 miles east of Cedar City. This duty station is in the heart of the Forest with plenty of recreation opportunities just minutes away, including Bryce Canyon National Park, fishing, hunting, hiking and OHV trails. Limited services are available in Panguitch with several convenience stores, gas stations, grocery store, restaurants, post office, and hospital. Cedar City is the closest full service community.

The **Escalante Ranger District** is our eastern most district. Escalante has two convenience stores, gas stations, post office, grocery store, several seasonal restaurants, and limited medical services. Panguitch is approximately 90 minutes to the west and it is 2.5 hours to Cedar City. Outdoor recreation opportunities are numerous with slot canyons, high elevation lakes, numerous trails, and outstanding vistas all within reach for a day's excursion.

# **Salary and Qualifications:**

**GS-3:** \$14.33 per hour starting wage. Most common entry-level grade. To qualify, an applicant is required to have six (6) months of general experience in any field. Education can be substituted for experience to qualify as well.

**GS-4:** \$16.08 per hour starting wage. To qualify, an applicant is required of to have six (6) months of general experience in any field and six (6) months of specialized experience in the field being applied to. Education can be substituted for experience to qualify as well.

**GS-5:** \$18.00 per hour starting wage. To qualify, an applicant is required of to have six (6) months of general experience in any field and twelve (12) months of specialized experience in the field being applied to. Education can be substituted for experience to qualify as well.

**GS-6:** \$20.06 per hour starting wage. To qualify, an applicant is required of to have six (6) months of general experience in any field and twelve (12) months of specialized experience in the field being applied to. Education can be substituted for experience to qualify as well.

**GS-7:** \$22.30 per hour starting wage. To qualify, an applicant is required of to have six (6) months of general experience in any field and twelve (12) months of specialized experience in the field being applied to. Education can be substituted for experience to qualify as well.

# **Application Instructions:**

Please read the entire announcement and all the instructions before you begin.

- 1. Create a USAJOBS account (if you do not already have one) at <u>www.usajobs.gov.</u> It is recommended that as part of your profile you set up automatic email notification to be informed when the status of your application changes. If you choose not to set up this automatic notification, then you will have to log into your USAJOBS account to check on the status of your application.
- 2. Create a Resume with USAJOBS or upload a Resume into your USAJOBS account. You may want to customize your resume to ensure it documents duties and accomplishments you have gained that are directly related to this position in order to verify that qualifications are met. In addition, your resume must support your responses to the online questionnaire (you may preview the online questionnaire by clicking on the link at the end of the How You Will Be Evaluated section of the job announcement).
- 3. Click "Apply Online" and follow the prompts to complete the Occupational Questionnaire and attach any additional documents that may be required. You can update your application or documents anytime while the announcement is open. Simply log into your USAJOBS account and click on "Application Status." Click on the position title, and then select "Update Application" to continue.

# **Required Documents:**

The following documents must be submitted to constitute a complete application package. It is your responsibility to ensure that all required documents are received within the required timeframes. Our office cannot be responsible for incompatible software, illegible fax transmissions, delays in the mail service etc. Failure to submit required, legible documents will result in elimination from consideration.

- 1. Resume that includes the following information:
  - Job information for which you are applying
  - Personal information
  - Education
  - Work experience
- 2. College Transcripts if education is required for meeting basic qualifications and/or you are substituting education for specialized experience. An unofficial copy is sufficient with the application, however, if selected; an official college transcript will be required.
- 3. DD-214 (Member 4 Copy) and/or SF-15 Application for 10-point Veteran Preference if claiming Veterans' Preference or eligibility for appointment under the VRA, VEOA, or 30% Disabled Veterans hiring authority.
- 4. SF-50 Notification of Personnel Action if you are a current or former Federal employee that will verify you're federal status, position title, series and grade. Also provide the SF-50 that reflects the highest grade level held on a **permanent basis** or the full performance level of your current position, whichever is higher.
- 5. Annual Performance Appraisal if you are a current Federal employee. Submit the most recently completed annual performance appraisal (dated within 18 months) which identifies the employee's official rating of record, signed by the supervisor, or a statement advising why the performance appraisal is unavailable. Do not submit a performance plan.
- 6. Certification of Disability if you are eligible for appointment based on a disability under the Schedule A hiring authority. This certification can be documented by a counselor from a State Vocational Rehabilitation Agency or the Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment Service of the Department of Veterans Affairs; by a statement or letter on a physician/medical professionals' letterhead stationary; or by statements, records, or letters from a Federal Government agency that issues or provides disability benefits. The certification must also describe any needed reasonable accommodation. You can review additional information at:

https://www.opm.gov/disability/appempl.asp.

- 7. Proof of eligibility for appointment based on service in the Peace Corps, Vista, Action Cooperative, or another special authority.
- 8. CTAP/ICTAP documentation if separated from Federal service or pending separation based on a reduction in force (RIF) or other management workforce reduction action. Proof of eligibility must include a separation notice or Certificate of Expected Separation, SF-50 that documents the RIF separation action or most recent SF-50 (that is not an award), and latest performance appraisal (dated within the last 18 months) or a statement advising why one is unavailable.

**NOTE:** If a document is resubmitted, it replaces the previous submission, which means the previous document is no longer available to the Human Resources Office. If you are adding to, rather than replacing a previous submission, you must upload both the old document and the new document. It is highly suggested that all documents be combined into one file for upload into the system to insure all are attached to your application.

# **Application Help Info:**

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See the Forest's website <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/dixie/">http://www.fs.usda.gov/dixie/</a> for more information.

