

OUTREACH NOTICE OUTREACH NOTICE



Outreach - GS-0462-10 Supervisory Forestry Technician (Airbase/Short-haul Base Manager)

Bridger-Teton National Forest (BTNF)/Grand Teton National Park (GTNP) In Jackson, Wyoming

The Announcement Numbers for this position will be forthcoming in a subsequent announcement.

Duty Location for this position will be Jackson, Wyoming
Government housing may be available.

The North Zone of the Bridger-Teton National Forest is planning to fill an Airbase/Short-haul Base Manager position in the near future. **Outreach responses are expected by October 23, 2015 and the application deadline will be November 01, 2015. The referral lists will be requested on November 01, 2015.** This is a permanent position, GS-0462-10, the position will be based at the Jackson Airport where the Teton Helibase is located; tour of duty will be PFT and employment will be through the Bridger-Teton Forest. *Anyone interested in further information should e-mail Steve Markason, North Zone FMO, at smarkason@fs.fed.us, 307-739-5431.*

To apply and for more information go to: <https://www.usajobs.gov>

THE POSITION

The program is interagency in its composition and mission. In addition to suppression, the program provides search and rescue, fire use, aerial ignition, and project services directly to the BTNF and GTNP. Search and rescue missions also occur in support of area county Sheriffs Offices. Personnel and aircraft are regularly dispatched off-area when not required by local staffing requirements. The Teton Helitack program successfully implemented the Forest Service Short Haul program in 2015.

The position serves as the Airbase/Shorthaul Manager supervising with a GS-09 Helitack Supervisor for a 20 person, two helicopter program located at the Teton Interagency Helibase. The Teton Helitack program has earned a quality reputation for professionalism and high standards. We are looking for an individual with the experience and attitude to build upon the success of the current program.

This position DOES NOT fall under the Interagency Fire Program Management Standards (IFPM). The new position description is FS5142 (Supervisory Forestry Technician- Airbase Manager). The qualifications desired but not required are ICT4, HEB2 and Short-haul/Rappel experience.

This is a covered secondary position description under the provisions of 5USC 8336 (c) and 8412 (d). Ninety (90) days of experience as a primary/rigorous wildland firefighter or equivalent experience outside federal employment as a basic qualification requirement for this position. This position is matched to FS2878 which was approved for secondary firefighter retirement coverage by USDA under FERS and CSRS on 08/02/2013, A3. Prior wildland firefighting experience is required.

Government housing may be available.

About the Forest

The Bridger-Teton National Forest (BTNF) is part of the largest intact ecosystem in the lower 48 states. The 3.4 million acres stretch from the southern border of Yellowstone National Park, covering the entire eastern flank of Grand Teton National Park, wrapping around Jackson Hole valley, to the sagebrush prairies of southwest-central Wyoming.

The Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem is a loosely defined area characterized by high elevation coniferous forests, sage/grass steppes, mountain ranges and deep valleys, large expanses of wild lands and three wilderness areas, abundant wildlife, and internationally recognized scenic and natural features.

The Forest includes headwaters of three nationally significant rivers (Yellowstone, Snake and Green). Tributaries to these rivers are considered exceptional in trout habitat and home to native strains of cutthroat trout.

Some of the largest and most diverse populations of mammals in North America exist here. This ecosystem still includes all of the major carnivores, an indication of its ecological completeness. The BTNF includes undisturbed habitat for threatened and endangered species

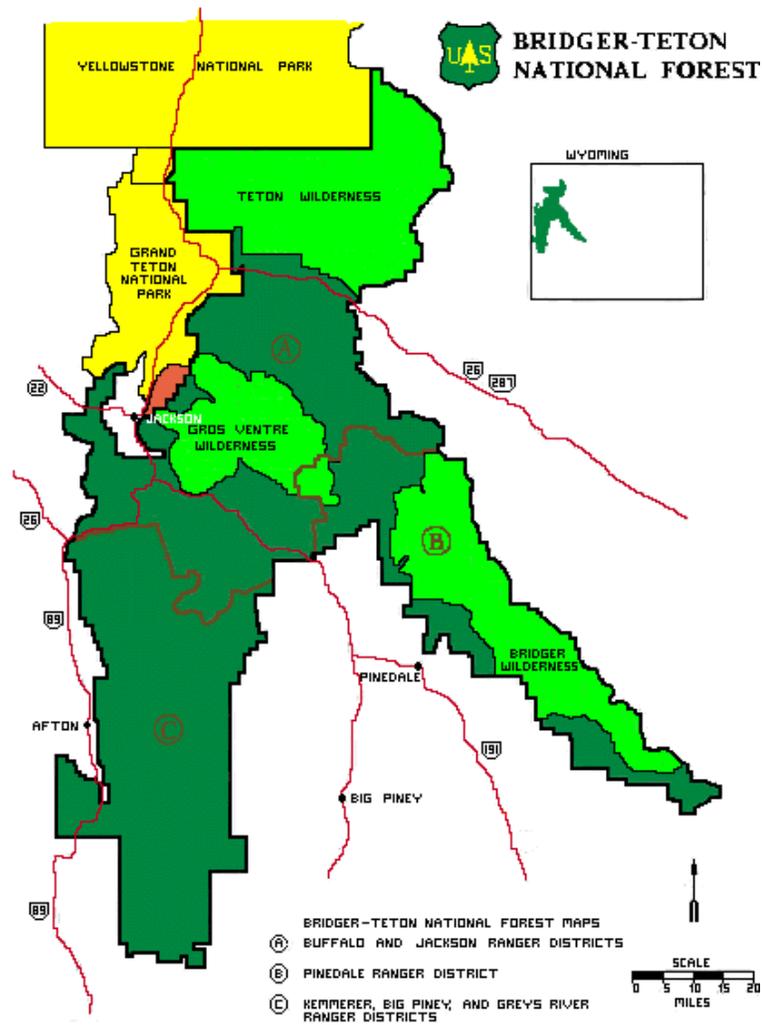
including the grizzly bear. The Forest's wild lands are large and relatively unaltered by human activity, making them valuable for scientific study and determining baseline conditions for comparison elsewhere.

Recreation opportunities and scenic quality are internationally renowned. The BTNF attracts over 2.6 million visitors each year. The three wilderness areas cover over 1.3 million acres; the Bridger, the Teton and the Gros Ventre totaling more than one-third of the BTNF acreage, and containing major migration routes for wildlife. The Forest offers some of the nation's best opportunities for winter sports. Two major ski resorts, Jackson Hole Mountain Resort and Snow King, are located on the Forest. The backcountry landscape contains a multitude of cross-country skiing trails and miles of trails for snowmobiling. Summer recreation contains a trail system of some 3000 miles and a network of scenic roads stretching more than 2500 miles. The Forest also offers unique features such as the scenic and challenging Snake River Canyon, where more than 150 thousand visitors float through its whitewater each year; the Gros Ventre Slide, one of the largest natural landslides in the country; Periodic Springs on Swift Creek near Afton, which is one of the few coldwater geysers in the world; Fremont Lake, the second largest lake in the State of Wyoming, and one of the deepest in the U.S.; Kendall Warm Springs known as the only home for the Kendall Warm Springs Dace; and Gannett Peak (elev. 13,804) the highest point in Wyoming.

The BTNF also has important commodity resources. Scientists believe that there are large reserves of oil and gas trapped beneath the Forest landscape. Approximately 360,000 acres are open to oil and gas leasing.

Pine, spruce and fir have long supported the local logging industry. The Forest offers approximately 10 to 12 million board feet annually, of which about one third is non-commercial firewood, and post and poles for fences. The timber volume continues on a declining trend, reflecting the societal values for wildlife, scenic landscapes, and sense of place.

The BTNF also contains some of the richest grazing lands in Wyoming, where more than 40,000 cattle, 2000 horses and, and 80,000 sheep graze annually.



The Jackson Ranger District

The Jackson Ranger District covers roughly 695,451 acres that are bounded by Grand Teton National Park, Teton Basin and Palisades Ranger Districts of the Caribou-Targhee; Blackrock, Pinedale, Big Piney, and Big Piney Ranger Districts of the Bridger-Teton; the Wind River Ranger District of the Shoshone National Forest; the National Elk Refuge; and private lands. Field season is yearlong due to heavy recreational use during all seasons. The north zone manages over 240 outfitter and guide and recreation special use permits, and roughly 230 non-recreation special use permits. This setting combined with being a national destination for tourism make the Jackson District one of the most complex in Region 4. The District has an excellent tenured staff. The District manages most of the 317,874 acre Gros Ventre Wilderness, whose western boundary is less than 1/2 mile from the town of Jackson. The District manages 2 ski areas and several developed campgrounds as well as the Snake River corridor, which includes one of the most highly used whitewater sections in the nation. Areas with high levels of dispersed summer and winter uses are also common. The District is actively addressing a number of Wildland Urban Interface issues through the fire and fuels, and vegetation management programs. The grazing program includes 3 forage reserves and 12 active allotments. The District has an active wildlife program as well. Working relationships with other agencies, local government, and many non-governmental organizations are very good with many productive and diverse partnerships.

The Community

Jackson, Wyoming, home of the Bridger-Teton National Forest, Supervisor Office, lies in the Jackson Hole Valley which is approximately sixty miles long by twenty miles wide. This beautiful alpine valley is a magical playground nestled in the shadow of the towering, majestic Teton Mountains on the west and the Gros Ventre Mountains on the east. It is located in the northwestern corner of Wyoming. Jackson lies in Teton County which covers 2,873 square miles. Jackson's elevation is approximately 6,200 feet above sea level.

The alpine climate results in four distinct seasons. During recent years the coldest temperature recorded was -36°F on December 12, 1990 and the warmest recorded was 95°F on June 25, 1988. Snowfall ranges from 88 to 400 inches per year depending on location. Annual rain precipitation averages 15.2 inches.

Jackson is a world renowned resort town with a population of 8,000+ inhabitants. "Something for everyone" is the perfect description for Jackson - tennis, swimming, golfing, shopping, world renowned skiing resorts (Snow King, Teton Village, and Targhee), the Grand Teton Music Festival's classical music, and of course, all the great outdoor recreational sports such as hiking, mountain climbing, hunting, fishing, snowmobiling, boating, four wheeling, wildlife viewing, whitewater rafting, bicycling, horseback riding and camping.

Jackson Hole is served by the Teton County School District, Central Wyoming College, and several private and religious pre-schools, kindergartens and elementary schools.

	Number of Schools
Kindergarten	1
Elementary	6
Middle School	1
High School	1

Teton County employed 23,987 people in 2004 at an unemployment rate of 3.1%. There is a high percentage of governmental employment in Teton County. The governmental agencies are represented by the Bridger-Teton National Forest, Grand Teton National Park, Yellowstone National Park, the National Elk Refuge, Wyoming Game and Fish, Town of Jackson and Teton County employees.

Since only 3% of the land in Jackson Hole is privately owned, land and housing is extremely expensive. A three bedroom, standard home on a 1/8-acre lot is commonly priced over \$400,000+. A standard two/three bedroom rental cost \$1,600+ plus per month. There is a 6% State and County tax on goods. Real estate is high, but there is no personal State income tax. Forest Service affiliated day care facilities are not available. Government housing may be available for this position.

St. John's Hospital provides good health care services in the Jackson Hole area. Comprehensive care includes 24-hour emergency services, general surgery, professional home care, an outpatient Surgical Center, sports medicine, wellness programs and the St. John's Living Center long-term care facility. Other medical services include general internists,

obstetricians, gynecologists, family physicians, radiologists, orthopedists, physical therapists, psychiatrists, psychologists, licensed social workers, ophthalmologists, a dermatologist, dentists, orthodontists, chiropractors, and EMT services.

There is a wide range of religious services available in area.

The Town of Jackson provides a 21 active-officer Police Department, 35 sworn County Sheriff Deputies, and 37 firefighting trucks and water support equipment in the Volunteer Fire Department. Other utilities that are available are: electricity, natural gas, water, sewer, trash removal, recycling, and telephone communications.

Transportation into and out of Jackson is available via air service and auto. Three carriers provide year around air service. Currently there are 13 direct non-stop flights to Jackson from cities across the United States. United Express services Jackson from Denver International Airport. Sky West/Delta Airlines serves Jackson from its hub in Salt Lake City. During the summer months and the ski season, Jackson receives additional service from United Airlines and American Airlines. Car rentals and taxi service are available at several locations around town including the airport. Public and private bus service is provided between the airport, Jackson, and Teton Village.

Driving distance from Jackson are listed below:

To:	Miles
Kemmerer, Wyoming	155
Big Piney, Wyoming	90
Afton, Wyoming	70
Pinedale, Wyoming	77
Buffalo Ranger District	43
Ogden, Utah (Regional Office)	243
Billings, Montana	316
Casper, Wyoming	284
Denver, Colorado	512
Idaho Falls, Idaho	95
Salt Lake City, Utah	280
South entrance Yellowstone National Park	59
South entrance Grand Teton National Park	13

For more information on our community, please contact the Jackson Hole Chamber of Commerce at (307) 733-3316 or on the web at www.jacksonholechamber.com.

Please contact the individual below for more information or to express interest in applying for this position:

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North Zone Fire Management Officer

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Reply to smarkason@fs.fed.us

GS-10, 0462

Airbase/Short-haul Base Manager
BRIDGER-TETON NATIONAL FOREST

North Zone

NAME: _____

EMAIL: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____

AGENCY EMPLOYED WITH: _____ USFS _____ BLM _____ OTHER

TYPE OF APPOINTMENT: _____ PERMANENT _____ TEMPORARY _____ TERM
_____ VRA _____ PWD _____ OTHER

CURRENT REGION/FOREST/DISTRICT: _____

CURRENT SERIES AND GRADE: _____

CURRENT POSITION TITLE: _____

CURRENT RED CARD QUALIFICATIONS _____

IF NOT A CURRENT PERMANENT (CAREER OR CAREER CONDITIONAL) EMPLOYEE ARE YOU ELIGIBLE TO BE HIRED UNDER ANY OF THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL AUTHORITIES:

- _____ PERSON WITH DISABILITIES
- _____ VETERANS READJUSTMENT
- _____ DISABLED VETERANS W/30% COMPENSABLE DISABILITY
- _____ VETERANS EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES ACT OF 1998
- _____ FORMER PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEER
- _____ STUDENT CAREER EXPERIENCE PROGRAM
- _____ OTHER _____

Thank you for your interest in our Vacancy!