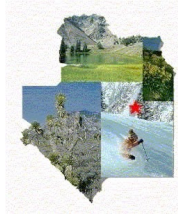




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## *Bridger-Teton National Forest*

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### **OUTREACH NOTICE**

***Assistant Fire Engine Operator  
GS-0462-05/6 Level  
2 Locations***

The Bridger-Teton National Forest is outreaching to fill 2 Assistant Fire Engine Operators, **GS-0462-05/06 Permanent Career Seasonal (18-8) Opportunity** on the West Zone. One position will be located at the Greys River Ranger District in Afton, WY and one at the Kemmerer Ranger District Office in Kemmerer, WY. For additional information about the position or duty station, please contact Jared Mattson, Zone Fire Management Officer at (208) 339-8328, [jared.mattson@usda.gov](mailto:jared.mattson@usda.gov).

**These positions will be filled during the Non-Centralized Phase 3 R4 Hiring Event. Vacancy Announcement will be open from February 7th - February 16th, 2024.  
Announcement: 24-FIRE-P3GVA-AFEO-56DH**

**Apply at [USAjobs.gov](https://USAjobs.gov)**

## **About the Position**

This position serves as an Assistant Fire Engine Operator on either a type 6(Afton) or type 3(Kemmerer) engine. The ability to work collaboratively with the Park Service, National Elk Refuge, Lincoln County, State and local governments, adjoining National Forests, other forest program areas and the ability to develop and maintain strong community relationships are critical for the position.

**IFPM Requirements:** Qualified Firefighter Type 1 (FFT1), completion of S-290, and greater than 90 days of wildland firefighting experience.

## **Duties below are from the Forest Service standard position description FS1478**

### **INTRODUCTION**

Introductory Statement: This is a standard wildland fire management position description intended for use in the USDA Forest Service. The position is located on a wildland fire crew.

The primary purpose of this position is to perform wildland firefighting work and to lead crews performing such work. These may be engine crews, hand crews, and/or prescribed fire crews. These crews perform work directly related to wildland fire suppression and control activities including suppression, preparedness, prevention, monitoring, and hazardous fuels reduction. May also perform duties in other fuels related or ecosystem restoration projects.

This is an arduous position.

This position is categorized as a Senior Firefighter (SFF) position in the Interagency Fire Program Management (IFPM) Standard and Guide as designated by the W.O. Fire and Aviation Management. The IFPM selective placement factors for this position must be attained by October 1, 2010, and thereafter must be met prior to entrance into the position as a condition of hire. Refer to the Forest Service IFPM Standard Position Description Crosswalk for a full description of the selective placement factors.

This position was approved for primary/rigorous firefighter retirement coverage by USDA under FERS and CSRS on 03/25/2009, C6.

In accordance with USDA Department Regulation 4430-792-2, this position is a Testing Designated Position (TDP) under the USDA Drug Free Workplace Program and subject to pre-employment drug testing. All applicants selected for this position will be required to submit to a urinalysis to screen for illegal drug use prior to appointment. Incumbents of this position will be required to submit to a urinalysis on an ongoing random basis, after appointment as directed.

Incumbent is subject to medical screening and must meet the Federal Wildland Firefighter Medical Qualification Standards for arduous duty wildland firefighting.

Community Information:

Kemmerer

The town of Kemmerer is a small community located high in the rolling hills of Western Wyoming in the Green River Basin along the Hams Fork River. The elevation is 6,927 feet with a population of approximately 3,126. Kemmerer enjoys average temperatures between 14 F. (January) and 70 F. (July). Average annual snowfall is 72.3 inches, rainfall is 7.2 inches, and relative humidity is 24%. The average growing season is 60 days.

The Kemmerer area offers an abundance of fishing, hunting, hiking, wildlife watching, and snowmobiling. Golfers also enjoy a challenging nine-hole golf course set near the Hams Fork River. Several benefit tournaments are conducted throughout the summer. Kemmerer offers four private quarries where you can dig your own fossils, and is the home of Fossil Butte National Monument, an 8,198 acre natural area that was established in 1972 and many historic cut-off trails of the Oregon, Mormon and California Trails.

Kemmerer's school system consists of 1 high school (205 students), 1 middle school (218 students), and 1 elementary school (201 students). Western Wyoming Community College offers an outreach program in Kemmerer with a focus on professional enhancement, growth opportunities, vocational/technical education and transfer education. Degree programs through the University of Wyoming and Utah State University can be obtained through the local outreach program.

The South Lincoln Hospital District meets both community and regional needs with a 16 bed acute care Hospital. The emergency department provides 24 hour emergency service. Both out-patient and surgical in-patient care are offered. The hospital also has an on-site staffed medical clinic. A nursing home is adjacent to the hospital that provides care for the elderly, handicapped and rehab patients with 24 beds.

The Kemmerer Community Recreation Center offers year-round fitness and a variety of recreational opportunities. The center houses racquetball courts, an indoor climbing wall, a basketball court, indoor track, weight room, whirlpool, sauna and steam room and several pieces of exercise equipment. The indoor pool located at the high school has specific hours set aside for lap swimming & open swimming. During the summer months an outdoor pool is located in Archie Neil Park with swimming lessons offered for all ages.

There are two banks, 12 churches, a senior citizen center, 2 day care facilities, numerous local organizations, town government, police and fire protection, utilities, three post offices, 2 weekly newspapers, and an AM radio station.

Proximity to surrounding communities:

Jackson, Wyoming (SO and Jackson District D4)	160 Miles
Big Piney, Wyoming (Big Piney District D2)	69 Miles
Afton, Wyoming (Greys River District D3)	99 Miles
Pinedale, Wyoming (Pinedale District D7)	111 Miles
Salt Lake City, Utah	132 Miles
Ogden, Utah (Regional Office)	127 Miles
Denver, Colorado	442 Miles
Evanston, Wyoming	50 Miles
Rock Springs, Wyoming (nearest airlines)	86 Miles

See more information at [www.kemmerer.org](http://www.kemmerer.org)

## Afton

Afton is at the south end of Star Valley and is the largest of the communities in Star Valley. Star Valley has a population of about 10,000 while Afton has a population of about 2,000. The valley is 60 miles long by 5 miles wide. The elevation is 6,134 feet and winters are long. Residents enjoy blue ribbon trout fishing, hunting, camping, hiking, golfing, snowmobiling, wildlife viewing, horseback riding, and boating.

The average maximum temperatures in the summer are approximately 80°F, while the average minimum temperatures in winter are 4°F. The area can remain below 0 degrees at times during the winter months. Average total snowfall is approximately 80 inches.

The school system in the valley is comprised of three grade schools, one junior high, and one brand new high school with a 25 student per teacher ratio. There are adult higher education opportunities with the University of Wyoming community education program and a library.

Housing is reasonable with prices ranging from 150,000 to 350,000 for the purchase of a single family home. There are also rentals available. All of the normal amenities are available in Afton such as grocery stores, banks, variety stores, a local newspaper, theater, radio station, etc. Afton has a hospital, a care center, home health service, physicians, and pharmacies. For more information about Afton and Star Valley visit the web site [starvalleychamber.com](http://starvalleychamber.com) on the internet.

The nearest commercial airport access is in Jackson Hole, WY, 75 miles from Afton or in Salt Lake City, UT, 200 miles from Afton.

See more information at [www.aftonwyoming.net/](http://www.aftonwyoming.net/)

