

OUTREACH NOTICE



**Fisheries Technician GS-0404-03 or 05
Siuslaw National Forest
Central Coast Ranger District/Oregon Dunes National Recreation Area
Reedsport or Waldport, Oregon**

The Central Coast Ranger District is looking for a self-motivated, energetic person to assist with our award-winning aquatic restoration program. We will be filling a temporary fisheries technician position in Reedsport or Waldport, Oregon for the time period between July through September. The 30-day critical hiring authority will be used, with a potential extension of an additional 30 days of employment. We are outreaching at both the GS-03 or 05 grade levels. If you are interested in this job opportunity, please complete the attached Outreach Response Form and return it to Paul Burns, Fisheries Biologist, at paul.burns@usda.gov by June 15th, 2020. It will be helpful if you include your resume and academic transcripts as well.

ABOUT THE JOB

The Siuslaw National Forest has a nationally and internationally recognized fish habitat restoration program. This position will be working with a crew of three other seasonal employees conducting the following work this field season:

Floodplain reconnection work: This will be the primary work of this position. The crew will be conducting aquatic organism relocation activities in association with two large restoration projects on the North Fork Siuslaw and at Fivemile Creek. Work will include netting and trapping of aquatic organisms and following established procedures to ensure safe relocation of those organisms to assigned locations. Work is very physical and requires the capability to work in areas of unstable and muddy footing, the ability to transport five gallon buckets of water and organisms, the ability to pull large nets through the water while wearing waders, and the ability to move dewatering pumps and associated equipment up and down stream banks

Helicopter: We have projects working with a helicopter to place whole large trees into streams to improve fish habitat. This project involves the planning of the structures which consists of interpreting the hydrology of the stream to determine correct structure placement and sketching of the desired structure. It will also involve working with the wildlife biologists on the district to select the appropriate trees to be used in the project.



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Monitoring: Photo monitoring of past wood projects, fish rescue for culvert replacements.

We are looking for candidates that possess a good work ethic, are not afraid to get dirty, are able to safely go into remote areas, are highly motivated, are able to think and adapt on their feet, and that work well with others in a team setting. Knowledge of fish habitat, mechanical skills, and fish identification experience are all pluses. The employees are responsible for supplying rain gear, work clothes, and eight inch leather boots with a good lug sole. The Forest Service supplies hard hat, safety glasses, gloves, hip boots, and chest waders.

ABOUT THE RANGER DISTRICT

The CCRD/ODNRA straddles the Oregon Coast Range running roughly from the Willamette Valley foothills to the Pacific Ocean and from Coos Bay nearly to Newport. The District office is in Waldport with a second office in Reedsport, the Oregon Dunes National Recreation Area office. The CCRD/ODNRA oversees a full range of programs associated with national forest work. The Ranger is located in Waldport with a Deputy Ranger in Reedsport. For more information about the Siuslaw National Forest, please visit our web site at:
<http://www.fs.usda.gov/siuslaw>

ABOUT THE DUTY STATIONS

Reedsport, Oregon

Reedsport is a city in Douglas County on the central Oregon Coast that was established along the estuary of the Umpqua River. As of the 2010 census, the population was 4,154. Due to the city's proximity to the Umpqua River and the Oregon Dunes National Recreation Area, Reedsport attracts thousands of visitors every year. Reedsport and the surrounding area is the gateway to miles of undisturbed beaches and the tallest dunes in the nation. The area is known for the best fishing on the Oregon Coast, elk viewing, other abundant wildlife and aviary viewing opportunities. It is just a little over an hour's drive from the I-5 corridor.

Reedsport Community Links: <http://www.reedsportcc.org/>; <http://www.reedsport.or.us/>;
<http://www.theumpquapost.com/>

Waldport, Oregon

Waldport is a small city in Lincoln County, Oregon and has miles of sandy beaches, forest roads, hiking trails, wilderness areas, and a picturesque bay. Waldport, whose motto is "Where the forest meets the sea", is located on the Alsea River and Alsea Bay. Alsea Bay is known as one of the most productive crab fisheries along the Oregon Coast and the Alsea River is known for outstanding chinook, coho, and steelhead fishing.

The central Oregon Coast is treasured by Oregonians and is only a couple hours away from major population centers such as Corvallis, Eugene, Salem, and Portland. Our renowned Oregon Dunes National Recreation Area is just a short drive down the coast. <http://www.waldport-chamber.com/>



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Nearby coastal cities (Newport and Yachats): <http://www.newportchamber.org/>;
<http://www.yachats.org/>

QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED:

For GS-3: Six months of General Experience or one year of education above high school.

General experience includes: (1) Any type of work that demonstrates the applicant's ability to perform the work of the position, or (2) experience that provided a familiarity with the subject matter or processes of the broad subject area of the occupation.

Educational requirements include: Successful completion of one year of study that included at least 6 semester hours in any combination of scientific or technical courses such as biology, chemistry, statistics, entomology, animal husbandry, botany, physics, agriculture, or mathematics.

For GS-5: Successful completion of a full 4-year course of study leading to a bachelor's degree with major study or at least 24 semester hours in any combination of courses such as those shown above for GS-3. At least 6 semester hours of courses must have been directly related to the position to be filled. The successful completion of a full course of study of at least 12 months in a school for clinical laboratory technicians may be substituted for the 1 year of specialized experience required at the GS-5 level for positions involving microbiology and biochemistry technician work.

Siuslaw National Forest Outreach Response Form

Attn: Paul Burns
Title of Position: Fisheries technician (30-day critical hire)
Pay Plan, Series, Grade: GS-0404-03 or 05

Response Information

Name:

E-mail Address:

Phone:

Are you interested in/qualified for the GS-03 or the GS-05 grade level?

Briefly describe your qualifications, skill level, and interest:

Do you prefer a duty station of Waldport or Reedsport?