RECRUITMENT NOTICE

Recreation, Heritage and Volunteer Resources

GS-301-15 Supervisory Program Specialist
Asst. Director for Recreation, Tourism and Public Services

Please respond by August 26, 2011

Come join one of the Forest Service's most progressive natural resource management staffs in one of the most exciting places to work and live in the US--the Washington D.C. metropolitan area. The Forest Management Staff of the Washington Office will be advertising for a GS-301-15, Assistant Director. The position is permanent full-time and is located in the Forest Service National Headquarters office on 14th Street and Independence Avenue (Sidney Yates Building). This position will be advertised Forest Service wide.

Major Duties:

This position is located in the Recreation, Heritage, and Volunteer Resources Staff Unit, National Forest System, Washington Office and reports to the Director. The position is responsible for the recreation, tourism and public services portion of the total land management policies and practices applied on the lands of the National Forest System.

As an Assistant Director, the position is a nationally recognized expert with responsibility for providing National leadership and direction. This position supervises a group of employees performing work at the GS-14 level. The Assistant Director is also responsible for assessing program effectiveness and leading the continuous improvement of complex program and management processes and systems encompassing difficult and diverse functions or issues that affect critical aspects of the major programs of US Forest Service. The incumbent must be an expert in long-range planning, and able to recommend and participate in developing strategies for major a Washington Office staff area.

If you have questions about this position, please feel free to contact Joseph Carbone, Deputy Director for Recreation, Heritage and Volunteer Resources, at (202) 205-0884 or email: jcarbone@fs.fed.us. Please return the attached Reply Form to:
Location: This position will be located in Washington, DC.

Community Information

The Washington, DC region encompasses the District of Columbia, northern Virginia, and Maryland and West Virginia. House rentals begin at approximately $1,500 per month. Apartment rentals start at around $900.00 for small 1 bedroom or studios. The price for purchasing a house is $250,000, and up, depending on the location and/or the commuting distance. Prices for town homes begin around $200,000 - $250,000 and condominium prices begin in the $100,000 - $150,000, depending on the location within the commuting area. Utilities are priced moderately.

Commuters from outlying areas are served by Metro subway, bus systems, rail systems, car, and vanpools. The Forest Service has recently adopted the transportation cost; up to $300.00 a month reimbursement program for the DC metro area (private car pools are not covered).

Educational opportunities are among the best in the country. There are several institutions of higher learning in the immediate area, including American University, Gallaudet University, George Mason University, George Washington University, Georgetown University, Howard University, Marymount University, and numerous community college and technical learning institutions. Excellent elementary and secondary schools are located in most communities. There are many private and church-affiliated schools and day-care facilities.

The region has a large and excellent medical community with a wide variety of specialists and numerous clinics and hospitals. The National Institutes of Health is located in Bethesda, Maryland, and Johns Hopkins Health Services are available in Baltimore, about an hour drive from the Maryland Virginia border.

Cultural opportunities are abundant. Some examples are the Kennedy Center, and the Ford Theatre; presenting live theatre, vocal and instrumental performances. The Smithsonian Institution and other art, cultural heritage, and history museums are usually free to visitors. There are numerous events on the National Capital Mall, ethnic festivals, and a full calendar of special community events year around.

The area offers a wonderful 4-season year with summer days sunny and sometimes humid, highs usually in the 90s and lows in the 70s. Fall Foliage brings a magnificent array of colors. Winters are mild with highs ranging from 30 to 50 degrees. Frost is expected most winter nights. There can be snow and occasional ice storms, but snow does not usually stay around for long. Spring starts in mid March and presents an ever changing array of colors.

Three large airports serve the area: Dulles International Airport (IAD), Ronald Reagan National Airport (DCA), and Baltimore-Washington International Airport (BWI)
Outreach Reply Form

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NAME: ___________________________________________________

LOTUS NOTES OR E-MAIL ADDRESS: _________________________

MAILING ADDRESS: _______________________________________

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _______________________________________

AGENCY EMPLOYED WITH: USFS ____  BLM ____ OTHER ____

TYPE OF APPOINTMENT IF CURRENT GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE:
_____ PERMANENT  _____ TEMPORARY  _____ TERM
_____ VRA  _____ PWD  _____ OTHER

CURRENT REGION/FOREST/DISTRICT (IF APPLICABLE):
__________________________________________________________________

CURRENT SERIES AND GRADE (IF APPLICABLE): _____________

CURRENT POSITION TITLE: ________________________________

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 ____________________________________________

SUBMISSION OF THIS FORM IS VOLUNTARY—THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST!