

Seasonal Hydrologic Technician



The US Forest Service Rocky Mountain Research Station will soon be hiring people to conduct inventories to help understand the environmental impacts of roads. Field crews will conduct detailed GPS-based road inventories using the GRAIP (Geomorphic Roads Analysis and Inventory Package) road inventory system. The work will be conducted from a vehicle and on foot. For more information on GRAIP, see: <http://www.fs.fed.us/GRAIP/index.shtml>. Two crews will be based in western Montana, noted for its excellent outdoor recreation opportunities including hiking, mountain biking, boating, and fishing. One western regional GRAIP crew will be based in western Oregon and will have the privilege of visiting many national forests throughout Oregon, Washington, and northern California.

Type of Position: Crew members. The two-person crews will work closely together all summer collecting data on forest roads.



Locations: The regional crew will be based in Eugene, Oregon. The Montana crews will be based in Seeley Lake, Montana, and may have bunkhouse accommodations. The regional crew will camp out.

Salary: Positions will be filled at the GS-4 (\$13.41/hr) and GS-5 (\$15.00/hr) levels depending on experience.

Work Schedule: Full-time. Typically, the work schedule will be 10 hours per day, 8 consecutive days per two-week hitch.

Qualifications: Course work in Geomorphology, Hydrology, Geology, Earth Science, Forestry, GIS, Physical Geography, or Engineering is preferred. Field work experience, GPS, and GIS experience are highly desirable. Candidates should be organized, self-motivated, and have an excellent driving record. A current state driver's license is required. Successful candidates will be physically fit and have the capacity to enjoy long field days and the peaceful solitude of nights in the woods.

Employment Period: Work will begin in late May and continue through August or September, 2012.

Application Deadline: We will begin taking inquiries in February and reviewing applications beginning March 15, 2012.

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