



# OUTREACH NOTICE OUTREACH NOTICE



USDA FOREST SERVICE  
Fishlake National Forest  
Richfield Interagency Fire Center  
Forestry Technician –GS-0462-07 – Aircraft / Lead FS Dispatcher

March 2, 2009

## About the Position

The primary purpose of this position is to serve as the Lead Forest Service Dispatcher and Aircraft Dispatcher for the Richfield Interagency Fire Center which supports the Central Utah Interagency Fire Management Organization. Incumbent serves as the lead representative for the Forest Service and works with the other dispatchers in the center to establish priorities, select and send appropriate resources, and provide tactical support for the wildland fire community. Incumbent also is the designated Aircraft Dispatcher and must be able to acquire aviation resources via established channels, evaluate aircraft performance capabilities for the job requested, provide air crews with appropriate information needed to initial attack fires, provide detailed briefings for incoming pilots and crews, maintain aviation hazard information, and be familiar with Department of the Interior, United States Forest Service, and Utah Division of Forestry Fire and State Lands rules and regulations regarding proper aircraft use. Incumbent works with the Unit Aviation Officer to review safety plans and provide resource and fire programs with information and assistance to accomplish agency goals, assists with gathering aircraft costs and reports to the appropriate agency representative, and ensures personnel are ordered via the ROSS system to staff any CWN aircraft. Incumbent is responsible for all aircraft reporting, this includes, daily reports on aircraft status and cost, reports for individual incidents, and year end reporting. Incumbent is supervised by the Assistant Center Manager for Operations and works closely with him/her on all projects.

## Location

The duty station for this position is the Richfield Interagency Fire Center, located at 1830 South Industrial Park Road, Richfield, Utah.

## Fishlake National Forest

The Fishlake National Forest, first known as the Fish Lake Forest Reserve, was established by President William McKinley on February 10, 1899. The Forest rises as a green oasis above the junctions of I-15 and I-70 in central Utah. The Forest spreads through nine counties with 1,540,572 gross acres. There are four ranger district locations at Fillmore, Loa, Beaver, and Richfield. The mountains and plateaus that form the Fishlake invite you to enjoy the highly spectacular and widely

varied scenery, and enjoy cool climatic relief from the hot desert valleys. The Forest provides 76 streams and 60 ponds and reservoirs for fishing.

The Fish Lake-Johnson Valley areas, near the east side of the Forest, receive 25 percent of the recreation use on the Forest. This is a 13,700 acre area with 3,000 acres of lakes and reservoirs, four campgrounds, seven picnic areas, one boating site, and three resorts. Several species of trout, splake, and large Mackinaw can be caught year-round. A full range of public services and facilities is available year-round from the three resorts.

The Tushar Mountains with loop roads, places for camping, fishing, hiking, sight-seeing, and dramatic landscapes also affords solitude along the Skyline National Recreation Trail on the southwest end of the Forest.

The Fishlake National Forest is the home of the Paiute ATV Recreation Trail, welcoming visitors from around the United States and many foreign countries. The local communities and the Forest host two ATV Jamborees during the summer season.

## The Community

The Supervisor's Office and the Richfield Ranger District Office are co-located at 115 East 900 North, Richfield, Utah. Population of the city is approximately 6,800. Elevation is 5,280 feet. The nearest large populated town is Provo, Utah which is approximately 115 miles north. Cedar City is 120 miles south. Both of these communities offer universities and all amenities. Richfield is about 170 miles and 2.5 hours from the Salt Lake City airport.

## Services:

Richfield shopping facilities include: 2 large grocery chain stores, 7 convenience stores, 4-5 clothing stores, a Kmart, WalMart, Penney's Mail-order Center, 3 lumber/hardware stores, 2 sporting goods and 3 furniture stores, 3 banks and 1 credit union, 2 barber shops, 9 beauty salons, 16 motels, 9 gas stations, 18 plus cafes and restaurants, 3 floral shops, 2 privately owned campgrounds, and many other small shops and service facilities. Neighboring communities offer a variety of these same services.

## Schools:

The surrounding area contains schools from kindergarten through to high school (with two elementary schools, one middle, and three high schools), Sevier Valley Applied Technology Center (technical college), and several private preschools. A University Center is established with courses available locally for Southern Utah University and Utah State University. Snow College Richfield is located here and is affiliated with a two-year college headquartered in Ephraim, Utah approximately 45 minutes NE of Richfield.

## Health Care:

Community health care is provided by Richfield Clinic, Family Specialty Clinic, Sevier Valley Hospital and numerous visiting specialists. There are several chiropractors, optometrists, dentists, physical therapists, and three nursing homes.

## Housing:

No Government housing is available. Rent ranges \$450 and up. Home prices range from \$85,000 to \$200,000+.

## Churches:

Churches in Richfield include: The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (Mormon), Jehovah's Witness, Lutheran, Presbyterian, Community, Faith Baptist, Assembly of God, and Roman Catholic.

## Climate:

Climate is moderate - summer temperatures 60 - 95 degrees, winter temperatures 10 - 40, with low rain and snow fall.

## Civic and Service Organizations:

Elks Lodge and Ladies Auxiliary, Lions Club, Rotary, Chamber of Commerce, VFW and Ladies Auxiliary, American Legion, Daughters of Utah Pioneers, and Business and Professional Women's Club and others.

## Recreational Opportunities:

All winter sports: skiing at Brian Head and Elk Meadows, cross-country skiing, snowmobiling, and skating. For summer enjoyment an 18 hole golf course, backpacking, mountain bike trails, ATV trails, equestrian trails, camping, fishing at Otter Creek State Park, Piute Reservoir, Fish Lake and many small lakes reservoirs and streams. There are several state and federal parks within 30 minutes to two hours from Richfield. There is one fitness center with an outdoor pool, aerobics programs, racquetball courts, weight training and spa. There is also an all-season indoor community swimming pool, bowling alley, a first run movie theater, tennis courts, public basket- and soft-ball teams as well as little league and pony league.

## Vacancy Announcement

This vacancy announcement is currently open through a national open continuous announcement and will be available at the USA Jobs website at [usajobs](http://usajobs.gov) (the US Government official website for jobs and employment information). The announcement numbers are: [ADS07-FSJOBSDISP-567G](#) for Merit Promotion and [ADS07-FSJOBSDISP-567DP](#)(DEMO).

This notification is being circulated to inform applicants of the opportunity. It is the intent of the Forest to pull a Certificate of Applicants within the next 30 days.

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Interested applicants, or those desiring further information, should contact Warren W. Sorenson, Center Manager at (435) 896-1669 or by email at [wsorenson@fs.fed.us](mailto:wsorenson@fs.fed.us) no later than March 31, 2009.

**OUTREACH NOTICE FORM**

YES, I am interested in the position as a Forestry Technician (Aircraft / Lead Dispatcher) on the Fishlake National Forest, at the Richfield Interagency Fire Center in Richfield, Utah, and would like to receive a copy of the Vacancy Announcement.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you currently a Federal employee? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If YES, please list you current agency and location: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list current title, series and grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for your interest!