

Forest Health Monitoring Program Monthly Update - Supplement November 12, 2013

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

The following Outreach Announcement is a revised replacement for a similar announcement included in the Forest Health Monitoring Program November Monthly Update.

The U.S. Forest Service Pacific Northwest Research Station is currently conducting outreach for a Supervisory Biological Scientist position (GS-0401-11) Coastal Alaska Field Coordinator. This is a temporary promotion/detail (1 year) position based at the Pacific Northwest Research Station's Forestry Sciences Laboratory located in Anchorage, Alaska. If successful the appointment can be renewed for an additional year or potentially converted to a permanent position. This position is with the Data Collection Team of the Research Station's, Resource Monitoring and Assessment (RMA) Program, Forest Inventory and Analysis (FIA) unit. The FIA unit is part of a nationwide program which collects, processes, analyzes, evaluates, and publishes comprehensive information on forest and other related renewable resources. The incumbent will function as an FIA Field Coordinator for inventories in the Coastal regions of Alaska, which is a part of the Anchorage-based Data Collection Team and is a member of the team's management. The Coastal Coordinator reports directly to the team leader, and is responsible for FIA data collection in the Southeast and Southwest Coastal areas of Alaska. The data collection phase includes developing data collection techniques, planning, staffing, logistics, managing field and aviation operations, and assuring quality of data collected in statewide multi-resource inventories. The inventory data are widely used by forest managers, local and state governments and federal agencies in making policy decisions. The majority of the work will be performed in the Anchorage Lab with about 3 to 4 months performing field work requiring travel to remote areas of Coastal Alaska. Field work involves backpacking, working in steep brushy terrain, and often cold, rainy and inclement weather. Part of this work will require working and living in tight quarters on a boat or other remote camps, flying in small aircraft, and carrying a firearm for bear protection. The position supervises up to 18 employees (GS 6 through GS 9) based in Anchorage and is responsible for direct supervision of 8 to 11 GS 5-9 foresters and ecologists as well as a 2nd line supervision of 8 to 10 GS 5 and 6 forestry technicians. We are looking for an individual who has: strong management and organizational skills; a positive customer service attitude and strong work ethic; excellent skills to accomplish a common goal as a team player; excellent problem solving and strategic planning skills, is a self-starter and enjoys a challenge; excellent coping skills and can manage multiple priorities in a fast-paced work environment; excellent people skills and works well with diverse groups and cultures. For more information about this position contact: Ray Koleser, Alaska Data Collection Team Leader, Resource Monitoring and Assessment Program. Email:

rkoleser@fs.fed.us. Phone: 907-743-9416. Please complete the Outreach Response Form (attached to this Update as attachment 1) if you are interested in this position and return it to rkoleser@fs.fed.us by **November 22, 2013**, and you will be sent the vacancy announcement for the position. This vacancy announcement will also be posted at USAJobs <http://www.usajobs.opm.gov>. *USDA is an Equal Opportunity Employer.*

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OUTREACH RESPONSE FORM

Supervisory Biological Scientist GS-0401-11

PNW Research Station, Resource Monitoring and Assessment Program

Please submit by 5:00 p.m. AKDT, November 08, 2013

NAME: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____

GOVERNMENT AGENCY EMPLOYED WITH? OR N/A _____

TYPE OF CURRENT APPOINTMENT: PERMANENT _____ TEMPORARY _____
TERM _____ OTHER _____

CURRENT AGENCY/REGION/FOREST/DISTRICT/LAB: _____

CURRENT SERIES AND GRADE: _____

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?

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- ___ VETERANS READJUSTMENT
- ___ DISABLED VETERAN WITH 30 % COMPENSABLE DISABILITY
- ___ VETERANS EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES ACT OF 1998
- ___ FORMER PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEER
- ___ STUDENT CAREER EXPERIENCE PROGRAM
- ___ OTHER _____

Please send a completed form by email to rkoleser@fs.fed.us, or mail to this address: Ray Koleser, Anchorage Forestry Sciences Lab, 161E 1st Ave., Door 8, Anchorage, AK 99501.

The purpose of this Outreach Notice is to determine the potential applicant pool for this position and to establish an appropriate recruitment method and area of consideration for the vacancy announcement (Region-wide, Service-wide, USDA-wide, Government-wide, and/or DEMO). Responses received from this outreach notice will be relied upon to make these determinations.

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