

Forest Health Monitoring Program Monthly Update - Supplement December 21, 2016

Job Opportunities

The U.S. Forest Service Southwestern Region 3 is currently advertising two (2) Plant Pathologist (GS-0434-09/12) positions, one located in Flagstaff, AZ and one located in Albuquerque, NM. These positions report to the Regional Office. The employee performs a variety of professional plant pathology tasks. Duties listed are at full performance level:

- Provides site-specific, technical assistance concerning forest diseases to land managers, and documents this assistance in written guidelines, which are incorporated into various resource project plans.
- Coordinates and implements all aspects of a complex major forest pathogen detection, evaluation, prevention, and control program for such diseases as dwarf mistletoe or fusiform rust.
- Prepares plans designed to meet technical objectives and collects field data. Processes and analyzes data, consults with other professionals, evaluates the results, and makes recommendations. Prepares technical reports and manuscripts.
- Organizes, plans, and conducts forest pathology related training programs, presentations, or seminars, for various Federal, State, and private individuals, which are tailored to the specific needs and objectives of the requesting unit and involve summarization and presentation of complex, scientific forest pathology subject matter, or new forest disease research developments in a concise, understandable manner.
- Exercises scientific judgment to conceive and conduct special evaluations, often collaborating with research, to gain additional specific knowledge concerning disease biology, ecological relationships, parasitic effects, survey methodology, or new control techniques. Implements technology transfer plans in order to make information available to specialists and resource managers.

Occasional travel is required. Overnight travel maybe required once a month during winter months and multiple times a month during spring, summer and fall months. For additional information about the positions, including how to apply, view the full vacancy announcement on the [USA Jobs web site](#). The job announcement number is 17-0352-328036REV1DP-PM. This job announcement number opened **Tuesday, December 20, 2016** and closes **Thursday, December 22, 2016**. *USDA is an Equal Opportunity Employer.*

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