

Forest Health Monitoring Program Monthly Update - Supplement November 19, 2019

Job Opportunities

The U.S. Forest Service, Southwestern Region (R3) anticipates filling a permanent, full-time Natural Resource Specialist/Biological Scientist GS-0401-9/11 position. The position will be located in Albuquerque, NM. The target grade is GS-0401-11 and may be advertised as a GS-0401-9/11. This position will be supervised by the New Mexico Zone Leader. The major duties for this position include:

1. Largely responsible for planning, coordinating and conducting the annual aerial Forest Insect and Disease detection survey for a large geographic area encompassing most forested areas within the State and elsewhere as needed.
2. Provides technical assistance concerning forest insect and disease location, and extent and severity to land managers for integration into resource management activities.
3. Prepares and writes reports to present survey data including GIS maps, summary tables and graphic displays, which includes mapping of insect and disease caused damage, various management projects and reporting Regional insect and disease conditions.
4. Participates in forest insect and disease field surveys as needed to evaluate insect and disease impacts. Summarizes data obtained from field surveys and applies appropriate statistical tests to determine significance and variability of data. Reports results to various users in various written and graphic formats.

The New Mexico Zone Office consists of 1 zone leader, 1 plant pathologist, 1 entomologist, and 1 forest health specialist. They maintain an active and full forest health program including all aspects of surveillance, detection, technical assistance, technology development, training, and prevention & suppression. The office is in the Southwestern Regional Office in Albuquerque, NM. This arrangement allows for interaction with natural resource scientists in all regional program areas. The vacancy announcement will be posted on [USAJOBS \(www.usajobs.gov\)](https://www.usajobs.gov) when the job opens. If you are interested in these permanent positions and want to receive a copy of the Vacancy Announcement, and if you are interested in either a detail or directed reassignment, please complete the Outreach form, attached to this Update as Attachment 1, by **November 29, 2019** and send to Andrew Graves (USDA Forest Service, Zone Leader, Forest Health Protection, New Mexico Zone) by email (andrew.graves@usda.gov) or see the

notice in Employment Outreach USDA Forest Service ([R3 FHP Natural Resource Specialist position outreach](#)). Submission of this form is voluntary but is encouraged. For more information about the position, please contact Andrew Graves. *USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.*

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OUTREACH RESPONSE FORM
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NOTE: The purpose of this Outreach Notice is to determine the potential applicant pool for these positions and to establish the appropriate recruitment method and area of consideration for the advertisement [e.g., target grade or multi-grade and service-wide, region-wide, government-wide, or DEMO (i.e., open to all U.S. citizens)]. Responses received from this outreach notice will be used to make this determination.

NAME: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

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TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____

Are You a Federal Government Employee? Yes___ No___

If Yes, name of Agency: _____

Current Duty Location: _____

Current Position (title/series/grade): _____

If no, Current Position: _____

Current Location: _____

Name of Current Employer: _____

If not a current permanent (career or career conditional) employee, are you eligible to be hired under any of the following special authorities?

Please check those that apply:

- ___ PERSON WITH DISABILITIES
- ___ VETERANS RECRUITMENT APPOINTMENT
- ___ DISABLED VETERANS W/30% COMPENSABLE DISABILITY
- ___ VETERANS EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES ACT OF 1998
- ___ RETURNED PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEER
- ___ PATHWAYS (Students and Recent Graduates Internship Program)
- ___ OTHER _____

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