



"STEWARDSHIP IN FORESTRY"

2008 Seasonal Employment with the Oregon Department of Forestry

An equal opportunity employer

Introduction and Application Procedure

Applications MUST be submitted to each district office in which you are willing to work.

We are pleased that you are interested in seasonal employment with the Oregon Department of Forestry. This document will assist you in making an application by listing job descriptions, salaries and requirements for a variety of seasonal positions. Some or all of these positions are located in the following areas:

Astoria
Central Point
Columbia City
Dallas
Forest Grove
Grants Pass
John Day
Klamath Falls

La Grande
Lakeview
Lyons
Molalla
Pendleton
Philomath
Prineville

Sweet Home
Springfield
The Dalles
Tillamook
Toledo
Veneta
Wallowa

After determining the position and location you prefer, contact the Department of Forestry office in that location to see when and how these positions are being filled. **All seasonal applications MUST be submitted to each district office in each area you are willing to work.** Applications will be accepted in most areas from January 1 to March 31, but check with your local Department of Forestry office for a recommendation on the best time to submit your application as deadlines vary.

Some of our seasonal positions include duties that require the possession of a commercial driver's license. If so, pursuant to the Omnibus Transportation Employee Testing Act of 1991 and regulations established by the Federal Highway Administration, you will be required to pass a pre-employment controlled substance test as a condition of hire. If you pass this test and are hired, you will also be subject to random, reasonable suspicion, post-accident, return-to-duty and follow-up alcohol/controlled substance testing.

Additionally, as a condition of hire, you will be required to pass what is commonly referred to as the "Pack Test." The "Pack Test" is a valid, job-related test that measures an individual's capacity for arduous work. The test consists of performing a 3-mile hike over level terrain in

45 minutes while carrying a 45-pound backpack. Prior to an interview, applicants are *strongly encouraged* to train for arduous level work capacity. You should begin training at least 4 weeks before you expect to take the test. Begin training for the test by walking three miles without a pack. Once this distance can be covered in 45 minutes, gradually begin carrying some weight. Continue to increase the weight until you can meet the requirements of the test within the allotted time. ***Prior to training for the "Pack Test," you should consult your physician if you have been inactive; have a history of heart problems; experience chest pain or loss of balance; or have a joint problem that could be made worse by a change in physical activity.***

The salary rates listed below are for fire fighting positions.

We appreciate your interest in seasonal employment with the Oregon Department of Forestry.

STUDENT WORKER

Duties

- Fight forest fires and maintain fire trails as a member of the suppression crew.
- Perform manual work in building and ground maintenance and fire fighting tool maintenance.

Minimum Qualifications

- 16 years of age.
- Ability to follow written and oral instructions without close supervision.
- Ability to use simple tools.
- Ability to work safely.
- Physical ability to perform strenuous work under hazardous and adverse conditions.
- Must be at least a half-time student during the school year.

Salary

- \$9.64 to \$12.77 per hour.

FOREST LOOKOUT

Duties

- Detect, locate and report forest fires from a lookout tower.
- Maintain records and make reports involving weather data, etc.
- Perform minor building maintenance.

Minimum Qualifications

- 16 years of age.
- Ability to understand and follow instructions.
- Ability to keep records; make clear oral and written reports.

Salary

- \$9.29 to \$12.29 per hour.

Living Facilities

- Housing and utilities furnished at some locations.
- Individual supplies own food.

LABORER I

Duties

- Perform manual labor in connection with forest fire suppression, forest road and trail maintenance.
- Assist with grounds and headquarters maintenance.
- On occasion perform forest management tasks involving pre-commercial thinning, hand release, animal control, etc.

Minimum Qualifications

- 18 years of age.
- Physical ability to perform strenuous work under hazardous and adverse conditions.
- Ability to work safely.
- Ability to use simple tools.
- Ability to follow written and oral instructions.
- Ability to operate vehicles ranging from small pickups to heavy fire engines.

Salary

- \$10.20 to \$13.77 per hour.

LABORER II

Duties

- Lead worker of fire suppression crew.
- Perform skilled duties such as operating equipment and doing basic carpentry work.
- Assist forest technicians in forest management activities such as timber cruising, labor work and forest engineering, reforestation and rehabilitation work.

Minimum Qualifications

- 18 years of age.
- Ability to direct small fire crews.
- Ability to organize and perform work safely and efficiently with a minimum amount of direct supervision.
- Knowledge of fire equipment capabilities.
- Ability to operate vehicles ranging from small pickups to heavy fire engines.
- Ability to read and interpret maps and aerial photos.
- Ability to apply technical forest fire knowledge and skills in field situations and arrive at sound and timely decisions.
- Physical ability to perform strenuous work under hazardous and adverse conditions.

Salary

- \$11.44 to \$15.70 per hour.

FOREST COMMUNICATIONS DISPATCHER

Duties

- Receives reports of fires and dispatches firefighters, equipment and supplies to the scene of the fire.
- Maintains clerical logs and records and performs related miscellaneous office work.
- Answers questions from the public regarding forestry and fire protection.

Minimum Qualifications

- Ability to communicate clearly and project voice over telephone and radio.
- Ability to follow oral and written instructions.

Salary

- \$11.00 to \$14.97 per hour.

Department of Forestry

Directory of Offices

Eastern Oregon Area

Northeast Oregon District
611 20th Street
LaGrande OR 97850
541-963-3168

Pendleton Unit
1055 Airport Rd
Pendleton OR 97801
541-276-3491

Wallowa Unit
802 W Hwy 82
Wallowa OR 97885
541-886-2881

Central Oregon District
PO Box 670
Prineville OR 97754
541-447-5658

John Day Unit
PO Box 546
John Day OR 97845
541-575-1139

The Dalles Unit
3701 W 13th Street
The Dalles OR 97058
541-296-4626

Klamath-Lake District
3200 DeLap Road
Klamath Falls OR 97601
541-883-5681

Lakeview Unit
2290 North 4th Street
Lakeview OR 97630
541-947-3311

Northwest Oregon Area

Forest Grove District
801 Gales Creek Road
Forest Grove OR 97116-1199
503-357-2191

Columbia Unit
405 E Street
Columbia City OR 97018
503-397-2636

Tillamook District
5005 E Third Street
Tillamook OR 97141-2999
503-842-2545

Astoria District
92219 Highway 202
Astoria OR 97103
503-325-5451

North Cascade District
22965 North Fork Rd SE
Lyons OR 97358
503-859-2151

Molalla Unit District
14995 S Hwy 211
Molalla OR 97038
503-829-2216

West Oregon District
24533 Alsea Hwy
Philomath OR 97370
541-929-3266

Dallas Unit
825 Oak Villa Rd
Dallas OR 97338
503-623-8146

Toledo Unit
763 NW Forestry Rd
Toledo OR 97391
541-336-2273

Southern Oregon Area

Southwest Oregon District
5286 Table Rock Road
Central Point OR 97502
541-664-3328

Grants Pass Unit
5375 Monument Drive
Grants Pass OR 97526
541-474-3152

Western Lane District
87950 Territorial Hwy
Veneta OR 97487-0157
541-935-2283

South Cascade District
3150 Main Street
Springfield OR 97478
541-726-3588

Sweet Home Unit
4690 Highway 20
Sweet Home OR 97386
541-367-6108