The Position

This position will perform both field and data management work in support of the botany and invasive plant programs. Field work includes sensitive plant and invasive plant surveys for project planning and program accomplishment, identifying areas for, and participate in, native species seed collection, and manual weed control (requiring the ability to dig or pull weeds and traverse uneven terrain for long periods of time). This position will be expected to serve as a Level 1 COR on an invasive plant herbicide treatment contract, compile task orders, and conduct post treatment inspections. The incumbent may have opportunities to work on Interdisciplinary project planning teams and use survey data to complete Biological Evaluations. This is a crew lead position; however, the size of the crew is dependent upon funding availability. In addition, the incumbent will also be expected to work alone. Previous crew leader experience would be beneficial. Data management will comprise approximately 35% of the position’s time. The incumbent will be required to enter data into the NRIS and FACTS databases, collect information with a GPS unit, and use ArcMap GIS to edit feature classes and create maps. Ability to identify and key out plants using a technical flora key, operate a computer, read maps, and navigate with a compass are also crucial for this position. A valid state Driver's License is required.

This position is guaranteed 13 pay periods of employment per year. After the initial 13 months, this position MAY be renewed yearly for up to three additional years. There is no promotion potential beyond the GS-7 level.

PLEASE NOTE: If you are interested in applying for this position please use the following Vacancy Announcements found in USAJOBS.gov and interested applicants must apply via www.avuedigitalservices.com:

11-06020002-5851D-MM

Reply by date is: Application deadline is April 1, 2011.
Fremont-Winema National Forests

The Fremont-Winema National Forests is located in Southern Oregon. Administratively combined in 2002, the Fremont-Winema National Forests offer 2.3 million acres to explore!

The heavily timbered western portion of the Forest is bordered by the crest of the Cascade Mountain Range and Crater Lake National Park, and stretches east into the Klamath River Basin. Near the floor of the Basin, the Forest opens to vast marshes and meadows associated with Upper Klamath Lake and the Williamson River.

To the north and east, extensive stands of ponderosa and lodgepole pine grow on deep pumice and ash that blanketed the area during the eruption of Mt. Mazama (now Crater Lake) nearly 7,000 years ago. The eastern portion of the Forest offers expansive views, dramatic cliffs, and solitude. The area is known as Oregon's Outback, and provides the self-reliant recreationist the opportunity to discover nature in a rustic environment. If you prefer, you can find yourself by yourself.

The Forest’s Headquarters is located in Lakeview, Oregon and shares the Lakeview Interagency Office with the Bureau of Land Management’s Lakeview District. The Forest’s seven Ranger Districts are managed as four geographical zones; Lakeview and Bly Ranger Districts (SE Zone), Silver Lake and Paisley Ranger Districts (NE Zone), Chemult Ranger District (NW Zone), and Chiloquin and Klamath Ranger Districts (SW Zone).

More than 300 species of fish and wildlife can be found on the Forest. Game animals most often hunted include mule deer, Rocky Mountain elk, and pronghorn antelope. The Forest’s diverse habitats also support a variety of wildlife including numerous water and wetland birds including eagles, osprey, and herons. Several varieties of trout inhabit Forest lakes and streams, and a few lakes support warm-water fish, such as large-mouth bass. Small populations of some of the larger predators (black bear, mountain lion, and bobcat) and a great variety of non-game species can also be found.

The Oregon-California border marks the Forest’s southern boundary, while its eastern boundary includes part of the Warner Mountain Range. To the north and west, the Forest is bounded by the Deschutes, Rogue River-Siskiyou, and Umpqua National Forests. Three wilderness areas can be found across this Forest; Mountain Lakes, Sky Lakes and Gearhart Mountain Wilderness. Picturesque rock formations cap most of the high-elevation ridge tops.

About the Ranger District

The Lakeview Ranger District office is located on Highway 395 approximately two miles north of the Lakeview’s City Center. The District encompasses approximately 460,000 acres of land, and is located on the interface between the Great Basin high desert and forested land. Elevations on the District range from 4,130 to 8,446 feet.

Habitat on the District ranges from abundant stands of white fir, to drought-tolerant tree species such as juniper and ponderosa pine as well as western white pine, sugar pine, incense cedar and lodge pole pine.
Outdoor recreation opportunities abound on the District! Activities include camping, hunting, fishing, sightseeing, rock hounding, hang gliding, downhill skiing, cross country skiing, sledding, snowmobile, biking, golfing, wildlife viewing, and bird watching. The desert and mountains are abundant with wildlife such as antelope, mule deer, coyote, elk, rabbit, Big Horn sheep, pheasant, grouse and upland and migratory game birds.

The Lakeview Ranger District does not have housing or bunkhouse facilities available.

**About the Community**

Lakeview is known as the *Tallest Town in Oregon* standing at an elevation of 4,800 feet. It is located in the high desert outback of south central Oregon. Lakeview area is home to approximately 4,100 citizens including the adjacent areas located outside the town limits (2,880 within town limits). The basic industries have been generated by agriculture and timber resources. The town is surrounded by public lands managed by federal agencies including the Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Summers in Lake County are usually warm and dry with cool nights and daytime temperatures ranging from 75 to 90 degrees. Autumn provides the area with crisp days with cold nights. Winter weather brings snow with daytime temperatures ranging from 25 to 40 degrees. Springs are mild with warm days. Average precipitation is 16 inches per year. The county boasts an average of 265 days of sun and a growing season around 100 days a year.

The town of Lakeview sits just north of the Oregon/California/Nevada borders. Lakeview is a pleasant full service town. There are several locally owned restaurants, two grocery stores, clothing, furniture and variety stores, banks and a credit union, beauty salons, motels, a movie theater, community swimming pool, computer dealer and repair shop, gift shop, public library, public golf course, tennis courts, radio stations, a J.C. Penney catalog store, and more.

The estimated population of Lake County is over 7300. Lakeview serves as the county seat for Lake County, one of 36 counties in Oregon. Other communities in Lake County include Adel, Paisley, Silver Lake, Summer Lake, and Christmas Valley.

Students in good academic standing and who have successfully completed 4 years high school in Lake County, have the opportunity to apply for the Collins-McDonald fund or Daly fund. These funds can provide up to 4 years of tuition assistance. For more information, you can go to, [http://www.edfed.com/planning-college/scholarship-indetail.php?id=121](http://www.edfed.com/planning-college/scholarship-indetail.php?id=121).

Lakeview is also serviced by a 47-bed hospital and clinic complex, 19 churches of all major denominations, two elementary schools, a middle school, and a high school. The local newspaper is the *Lake County Examiner*, published weekly. The *Herald and News*, from Klamath Falls, is published daily. Both are available by at local outlets and by subscription.

The State of Oregon operates the Warner Creek Correctional Facility, approximately three miles north of Lakeview. WCCF began operations in September 2005. This 400 bed minimum security facility houses inmates scheduled to be released within three years. It currently employs over 100 personnel. Federal, State, County and local agencies contract inmate crews to do manual and skilled labor such as forestry work, park maintenance, landscaping, building maintenance, roofing and painting, right-of-way maintenance, clean-up, litter pick-up, limited construction, and other projects.
Additional community facilities are available in Klamath Falls, approximately 96 miles west of Lakeview (less than a two hour drive), including one full-service hospital with 176 beds, two urgent care centers, over 70 churches representing approximately 40 denominations, two performing arts theaters, a technical institute and a community college, along with several museums and art galleries. Several large department stores such as Wal-Mart Supercenter, Fred Meyer, Gottschalks, Ross, and Home Depot are located within the city limits. Grocery stores are plentiful. Transportation is available via the Municipal Airport, Amtrak, and various bus services.

Other frequented areas include Bend, Oregon, (Central Oregon ) which remains the most rapidly growing metropolitan area in Oregon, ranks 35th among metropolitan areas nationwide. It has regionally and nationally recognized medical facilities, a full range of retail shopping and cultural opportunities, a community college and a branch campus of Oregon State University, a major ski area, and world-renowned trout streams.

Additional cities for amenities, entertainment, shopping, or travel include Reno, Nevada, Medford, Oregon and Alturas, California. For more information about the community, contact the Lake County Chamber of Commerce at:

**Lake County Chamber of Commerce**
126 North E Street
Lakeview, OR 97630
Phone: (541) 947-6040, or toll-free: 1-877-947-6040
The Chamber of Commerce may also be contacted via their website at: http://www.lakecountychamber.org/

**The purpose of this outreach notice is to inform prospective applicants of this upcoming opportunity and to determine interest in the position.** To express interest in this position, please complete the following Outreach form and send (via mail or e-mail) to:

Fremont-Winema National Forests
Silver Lake Ranger District
65600 Hwy. 31
Silver Lake, OR 97638
Attn: Tim Stack
email to: tstack@fs.fed.us
Responses must be received by *(March 21, 2011)*

**For more information or technical questions about the position contact:**
Jeanette Wilson, Eastside Botanist, at (541) 576-7593

The Fremont-Winema National Forests is an equal opportunity employer.

**Thank you for your interest in our vacancy!**
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LAKEVIEW RANGER DISTRICT
LAKEVIEW, OREGON

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- Other

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