

Position Title: [Timber Management Resource Assistant \(2 positions\)](#)

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Position Abstract: The Timber Management Resource Assistant (RA) will work within the unified forest timber sale program with a duty location in Minturn, Colorado on the Eagle-Holy Cross Ranger District. The RA will participate in the timber sale program marking timber, cruising, traversing units and other timber sale prep duties. The RA will work across multiple districts on the forest.

MobilizeGreen is a national nonprofit committed to jumpstarting green careers for diverse youth and recent graduates, while advancing environmental equity in communities across the country.

In partnership with the USDA Forest Service, MobilizeGreen offers internship opportunities for college students, graduate students, and recent graduates. The Resource Assistants Program (RAP) provides flexible internship placements based in National Forests across the US for those interested in Forest Service careers. Resource Assistants work under the mentorship and coaching of Forest Service staff to complete mission-critical work while developing leadership, critical thinking, and strategic communication skills. The RAP was designed for emerging professionals to launch their natural and cultural resources careers.

Once an RA arrives at their host site, they are supervised and mentored by a variety of Forest Service staff, engaging with experts from business, conservation, and science backgrounds, and learning more about careers as they work on vital projects within the Forest Service. Upon completion of the program, RAs receive a 2-year direct hiring certificate with the Forest Service, keeping the door open for exciting career opportunities with their host site, or with any of the 154 national forests across the country. MobilizeGreen will enhance your career opportunities, introduce you to key leaders in the natural resource field, and engage you on your career journey to a job with the Forest Service.

Work Environment: These are physically demanding positions requiring hiking up to 8-15 miles a day carrying a 30-40 pound pack for 2-4 days at a time over rough terrain in a remote setting in a variety of weather conditions. The office work environment presents normal, everyday risks or discomforts typical of offices, meeting rooms, field, and travel situations. RA will be exposed to high alpine climate ranging from 8200 to 10000 feet above sea level.

Location: The White River National Forest is located in north-central Colorado and surrounds the communities of Breckenridge, Silverthorne, Frisco, Vail, Edwards, Eagle, Glenwood Springs, Carbondale, Aspen, Rifle and Meeker. The forest has eleven ski areas and draws visitors from around the world. With its proximity to Denver, the forest

experiences high visitor use year round. The forest is an outdoor recreation haven providing opportunities for hiking, biking, backpacking, OHV trail riding, skiing, snowmobiling, big game hunting and fishing. Each community has a full range of services such as supermarkets, libraries, recreation centers, gas stations and lodging. Due to its popularity, cost of living in most communities on the forest is very high and housing is limited.

Host Unit: White River National Forest, Eagle-Holy Cross Ranger District

Duty Station: 24747 US Highway 24, PO Box 190, Minturn, CO 81645

Term: 26 weeks starting May 17, 2021. Full-Time (40 hours per week).

Benefits:

- \$500 per week living allowance (stipend)
- Housing is provided in Forest Service barracks
- Health insurance (if requested)
- Relocation support and travel allowance
- 2-year Direct Hiring Authority with the Forest Service (with successful completion and 960 hours)
- Hands on learning and job training experience
- Mentorship for career and professional development

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Performs preparatory work for timber cruises, such as traversing and mapping units to be cruised; estimates volumes and quality of timber during cruises using established quality standards; measures diameters, heights, limited defects, etc.; summarizes and reports data collected as to type, grade, species, size, etc.; describes general conditions found, including possible logging difficulties; and helps to prepare timber sale maps.
- Marks timber using well defined marking rules, established marking guides, and specific instructions.
- Determines merchantable volume by use of prescribed volume tables, techniques, and specific instructions.
- Traverses harvest units, processes information and produces maps. Designates sale area and cutting unit boundaries on the ground. Interprets Aerial Photos and locates ground features.
- Examines stands to determine present tree stocking and survival, tree species and conditions, presence of areas for replanting, competing vegetation species and density, and evidence of animal, insect or disease damage.
- As assigned, participates in other aspects of resource management support work such as fire, fisheries, recreation, wildlife, etc.

Experience and Qualifications:

- Bachelor's degree in Forestry required (must be a recent graduate, 0-5 years out of school).

- Valid driver's license required (driving record will be considered prior to placement).
- Knowledge of basic professional forestry concepts and principles, such as would be acquired through a bachelor's degree program in forestry, to enable the forester to perform trainee level duties.
- Ability to express thoughts both verbally and in writing.
- Follows guidelines include Agency manuals, technical handbooks, directives, and guides which are detailed and directly applicable.
- Duties require strenuous physical exertion, including walking, climbing, and some bending.
- Works in forest environment where there is considerable risk of falls due to uneven or debris-covered surfaces, risk of insect bites, contact with poisonous plants, etc. Hardhat, boots, and gloves are required.
- Responsible for a variety of recurring tasks requiring the use of skill and judgment in well-defined situations. Work methods are standard and well established. The employee must be able to recognize the existence of differences among standardized situations, such as species, stand density, insect and disease, defect, and other conditions affecting the stand, which vary with location.
- Ability to apply sale area plans, cruise plans, silvicultural prescriptions, and project work plans to field situations.

Competitive selection process, positions filled on a rolling basis. We encourage you to apply ASAP.

TO APPLY: <https://mobilizegreen.bamboohr.com/jobs/view.php?id=244>

For more information on MobilizeGreen go to: www.Mobilizegreen.org

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