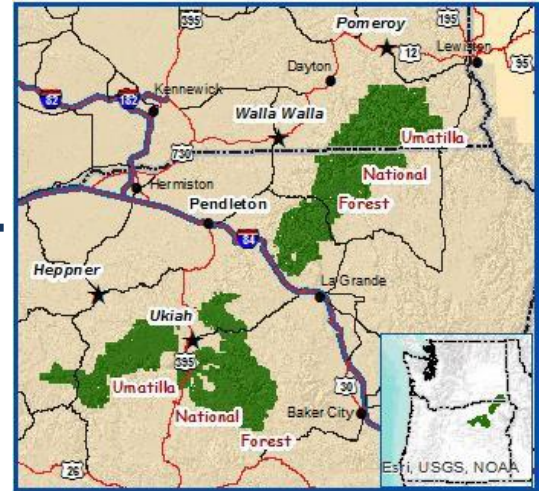


USDA Forest Service
Pacific Northwest Region
Outreach Notice



Umatilla National Forest
GS-0460 Forester
and
GS-0462 Forestry Technician
Positions



The Umatilla National Forest will soon be filling several Forester and Forestry Technician positions (listed in the tables below) with duty locations of Heppner and Ukiah, Oregon and Pomeroy and Walla Walla, Washington.

This notification is being circulated to inform interested applicants of upcoming opportunities. Please see the following information for positions to be filled and to learn more about the Umatilla National Forest. Specific announcement numbers will be provided when available. Applications will be accepted through [USAJobs](https://www.usajobs.gov) under National Collective Hiring Events. Job announcements will not list individual duty locations; however, applicants will have an opportunity to provide location preferences prior to the interview phase.

*****ANTICIPATED APPLICATION PERIODS FOR THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS*****

The announcement period to apply for Forester positions is tentatively **2/25/2022 to 3/7/2022**. The table below provides more detailed information about each of the positions:

Duty Locations	Position Information	Major Duties	Contact
Hepner, OR	GS-0460-07/09 Forester – Silviculture Tour: PFT Number of Positions: 1	Serves as an assistant silviculturist with primary responsibility for development, planning, and application of silvicultural methods and practices. Conducts examinations of timber compartments and stands on the unit and evaluates the conditions found. Makes or recommends basic land management decisions based on these evaluations. Makes silviculture prescriptions and action plans for TSI and reforestation work necessary to attain timber management objectives using aerial photographs and on-the-ground observation and measurements.	Diane Shirley diane.shirley@usda.gov 541-427-5315 Deanna Engelmann - alternate deanna.engelmann@usda.gov 509-522-6022

Ukiah, OR	GS-0460-11 Forester – Silviculture Tour: PFT Number of Positions: 1	Serves as a silviculturist with primary responsibility for development, planning, and application of silvicultural methods and practices. Makes on-the-ground examinations and analyses of forest areas to determine which areas requires short- or long-range cultural treatment in terms of the total ecosystem. Provides advice, technical support, and evaluation of proposed and ongoing timber sale programs to prevent loss of timber productivity and damage to the environment.	Diane Shirley diane.shirley@usda.gov 541-427-5315 Deanna Engelmann - alternate deanna.engelmann@usda.gov 509-522-6022
Walla Walla, WA	GS-0460-07/09 Forester – Timber Sale Preparation Tour: PFT Number of Positions: 1	Responsible for the completion of preparations required prior to offering timber for sale. Evaluates and analyzes the project sale folder information and conducts a preliminary field reconnaissance. Assembles and reviews the timber sales contract package. Determines, plans and arranges for the resources needed to complete the layout of sales. Identifies and verifies the land status and environmental constraints affecting layout of the proposed project on the ground. Reviews, compiles and analyzes field data.	Lindsay Lockard lindsay.lockard@usda.gov 509-522-6043 Richie Gardner - alternate richard.gardner2@usda.gov 541-278-3727

Positions will be filled through a National Collective Hiring Event. Please reach out to one of the contacts listed above if you are interested in any of these positions. Respondents to the outreach will be provided announcement numbers once they are available.

The announcement period to apply for **Forestry Technician** positions is tentatively **3/11/2022 to 3/21/2022**. The table below provides more detailed information about each of the positions:

Duty Locations	Position Information	Major Duties	Contact
Heppner, OR Ukiah, OR Walla Walla, WA	GS-0462-05/06/07 Forestry Technician – Timber Marker/Lead Marker Tour: PSE 18/8 Number of Positions: 3	Leads a small marking crew performing timber marking, timber cruising, and sale layout as part of the unit’s timber management program.	Brian Spivey – Heppner, Ukiah brian.spivey@usda.gov 541-676-2121 Lindsay Lockard – Walla Walla lindsay.lockard@usda.gov 509-522-6043 Richie Gardner – alternate richard.gardner2@usda.gov 541-278-3727

Heppner, OR Pomeroy, WA	GS-0462-07/08/09/10 Forestry Technician - Timber Sale Administration Tour: PFT Number of Positions: 2	Reviews the contract and related pre-sale data such as preliminary logging plan, environment assessment, appraisal, etc. Determines that all prerequisites to contract work are taken care of such as, but not limited to, advance deposits, delegations of authority, road construction and timber cutting coordination, improvement locations, operating schedules, logging plan preparations, scaling arrangements, and environmental protection measures. Reviews plans and schedules with purchasers to assure common understanding of conditions and responsibilities.	Brian Spivey - Heppner brian.spivey@usda.gov 541-676-2121 Lindsay Lockard - Pomeroy lindsay.lockard@usda.gov 509-522-6043 Richie Gardner – alternate richard.gardner2@usda.gov 541-278-3727
Walla Walla, WA	GS-0462-06/07 Forestry Technician – Timber Stand Improvement Number of Positions: 1	Performs reforestation and stocking surveys in accordance with established procedures to determine planting needs, need for site preparation, plantation conditions, and seedling survival. Performs timber stand improvement surveys to determine stand conditions and the need for TSI treatments, such as precommercial thinning, mistletoe treatment, pruning, and fertilization. Traverses project areas, determines acreage, and drafts maps of those areas.	Jack Comish kenneth.comish@usda.gov 509-522-6059 Deanna Engelmann - alternate deanna.engelmann@usda.gov 509-522-6022

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Current employees of the Forest Service interested in applying should update their USA Jobs profiles and upload the following documents:

- **Resume** that includes:
 - 1) Personal information such as name, address, contact information.
 - 2) Education.
 - 3) Detailed work experience related to this position as described in the major duties, including work schedule, hours worked per week, dates of employment, title, series, and grade.
 - 4) Supervisor's phone number and if the supervisor may be contacted for a reference check.
 - 5) Other qualifications.
- **A copy of your college transcripts**, if education is required (0460) or you are using education to qualify.
- **Most recent non-award Notification of Personnel Action (SF-50).**
- **Most recent performance appraisal** (dated within 18 months).

Review the job announcements carefully for deadlines and any other required information to include in your application.

Upcoming webinars are available to help applicants navigate the application process:

[Federal Resume Workshop](#)

Tuesday, February 22, 2022

5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. EST

[Eligibilities & Qualifications Webinar](#)

Thursday, February 24, 2022

5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. EST

Visit [Hiring & Recruitment Events | US Forest Service \(usda.gov\)](#) for more information about this and future hiring and recruitment events.

About the Umatilla National Forest:

The Umatilla National Forest consists of four Ranger Districts spanning 1.4 million acres across northeast Oregon and southeast Washington. With elevation ranging 1,800 to 8,000 feet, the forest vegetation ranges from dry open grass/shrub ponderosa pine to cold moist conifer forest. The Forest employs approximately 170 permanent employees at its peak. Pendleton, Oregon (population: 14,400) is the location of the Umatilla National Forest Headquarters.

Hunting and fishing make up almost 50 percent of recreation use on the Umatilla NF. Camping, picnicking, boating, hiking and horseback riding are also popular. The Forest has a large concentration of Rocky Mountain Elk. Mule deer and whitetail deer are also abundant. The Forest is also home to downhill ski areas and numerous cross-country skiing trails. Snowmobiling is also permitted on the Forest. Three designated wilderness areas lie within the forest boundaries.

Additional Information on the Umatilla National Forest can be found at: <http://www.fs.usda.gov/umatilla/>

Specific Duty Location Information:

Heppner (Heppner Ranger District)

No Government housing available

Heppner is a small community of approximately 1,200 people and is the county seat of Morrow County. It is located approximately 45 miles south of Hermiston (population 14,000) and 65 miles southwest of Pendleton (population 15,000) and is situated in the rolling wheatlands which are foothills to the Blue Mountains. Heppner has one elementary school, one junior high school and one high school. The housing selection is affordable but can be limited. Rentals are limited but can be found. Local services include a hospital and medical clinic, approximately seven churches, a library, a bank, a drug store, as well as other locally owned businesses. Agriculture is the area's primary industry. County services have offices in Heppner. Heppner has a golf course, a swimming pool, soccer field, basketball and tennis courts, ball fields and a reservoir nearby. Approximately 40 miles south on the District is Bull Prairie Reservoir and the Morrow County OHV Park. Snowmobiling is popular in winter and there is a local Nordic club which uses the District for its cross-country skiing activities. Hunting and fishing opportunities are plentiful.

Additional Community Information: <http://www.heppner.net/>

Ukiah, Oregon (North Fork John Day Ranger District)

Government housing may be available - The district has several housing options in Ukiah: multiple bunkhouses on the district compound, a separate housing annex with modular homes, and four RV spaces. Availability is limited. Private housing options for purchase or rental are also limited.

Ukiah is a small mountain community with a year-round population of 250. The district is considered remote, but the town offers two stores (grocery/hardware), a motel, a laundromat, a cafe, two churches, a tavern, a gas station with

eatery, park with tennis court, a post office, and school with grades K-12. There are also two RV parks with full hookups, one offers cabin rentals.

Pendleton (population: 14,400), location of the Umatilla National Forest Headquarters, is 52 miles north on US Highway 395; La Grande (population: 12,300) is 56 miles east on State Highway 244. Many employees live in Pendleton and La Grande and commute daily. **Remote Site Allowance may be available for commuters.** Both Pendleton and La Grande are full-service communities with a reasonable variety of shopping opportunities. There is no government housing available in either Pendleton or La Grande.

Pomeroy, Washington (Pomeroy Ranger District)

No Government Housing is Available

Pomeroy is the only town in Garfield County and is the County Seat. It is a full-service community of approximately 1,250 residents with a hospital/care center, medical doctor and practitioner, dentist, numerous churches, 1 grocery store, mini-mart, 3 banks, a motel, 2 Bed & Breakfasts, 3 eating establishments, 3 card operated gas stations (2 accept cash during regular business hours), pharmacy, hardware store, several small businesses, museum, and a library. Just 30 miles to the east is the - Clarkston Washington- Lewiston Idaho hub that contains any medical and shopping needs an individual might need. There are numerous other large towns within 2 hours or less driving distance such as Spokane, Walla Walla, and Pullman, Washington and Moscow, Idaho.

The public school system in Pomeroy has very good marks for the quality of education provided in grades K-12. There are numerous colleges and universities in the surrounding area such as Walla Walla Community College (with a branch at Clarkston), Walla Walla University and Whitman College in Walla Walla, Lewis and Clark State College in Lewiston, University of Idaho in Moscow, Washington State University in Pullman, and Gonzaga University, Whitworth, Eastern Washington University and Spokane Community College all surrounding Spokane.

Additional Community Information: <http://www.pomeroychamberofcommerce.com/>

Walla Walla, Washington (Walla Walla Ranger District)

No Government housing available

The Walla Walla Valley is nestled at the foot of the Blue Mountains, on the sunny side of Washington State. An “oasis in the desert,” the valley has an abundance of trees, many of them record trees for the State, and 300 days of sunshine a year. The average annual rainfall is less than 20” per year and there are four distinct seasons. Cultural and community events are more numerous than one would expect in an area of 55,000 people. Several wineries and vineyards have established in the area in recent years, and more continue to open. There is commercial air service from Walla Walla, and a new airport opened in 2001. Additional flights are available from Pasco, about a 55-minute drive from Walla Walla. Walla Walla is a full-service community. There is excellent shopping, restaurants, theaters, parks, hospitals, and clinics. The town has a well-developed transit system and great schools.

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Additional Community Information: <http://www.wwchamber.com/>

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