## **OUTREACH**

# **2017 FIELD RANGER SUMMER INTERNSHIP**

# Rogue River- Siskiyou National Forest Southwest Oregon





The Field Ranger Program is a cadre of field going employees and volunteers who engage forest visitors to help them better understand and connect with the natural resources as well the agency managing them. We do this through one on one dialogue, educational and interpretive programs and by participating in community and Forest hosted events.

Come spend the summer working alongside other Field Rangers and resource professionals to learn about applied resource management, visitor education and interpretation and get hands on experience implementing various types of resource projects and recreation services.



#### **Field Ranger Duties:**

- Assist with walks/talks at developed campgrounds and/or day use areas.
- Patrol forest roads and recreation areas conducting visitor contacts and collecting resource information.
- Inform and educate forest visitors about minimum impact practices and regulations.
- Assist with maintaining recreation facilities in areas of patrol.
- Participate in resource projects such as invasive plant removal, wildlife surveys and habitat restoration.
- Participate as Forest representative at local community and permitted events (e.g. Fish Faire(s), booths at Cycle Oregon and Tour de Fronds events, National Public Lands Day, etc.)



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#### **Required Qualifications**

- The Field Ranger intern must have good communication skills, as interaction with forest visitors will be a primary responsibility.
- Ability to work independently in remote locations; map reading skills are necessary.
- The Field Ranger intern should be familiar with basic computer applications including Microsoft Word and Excel programs. Additional computer experience with ArcGIS,

and photo editing software is desirable but not required.

### **Training**

The ranger intern will be provided with all required training for performing job duties in the field. Training opportunities include:

- Public contact methods
- Resource management and project overviews
- GPS, data collection and processing
- Radio communication
- Basic First aid & CPR



#### Location

Position locations are located in the southwest Oregon communities of Cave Junction, Applegate Valley, Gold Beach and Prospect. The Forest is located in southwestern Oregon and extends into California. The Forest ranges from the crest of the Cascades Mountains west into the Siskiyou Mountains, nearly to the Pacific Ocean and covers almost 1.8 million acres. The Forest embraces a treasure of botanical diversity, and is home to incredible wild and scenic rivers, isolated wilderness, outstanding fisheries and wildlife resources, and breath-taking landscapes of mountains, meadows, streams, and lakes. Snowcapped volcanic peaks such as 9,495 foot Mt. McLoughlin, located within the Sky Lakes Wilderness on the High Cascades Ranger District, and world-class wild rivers, biological diversity, remarkable fisheries resources, and complex watersheds abound throughout the landscape.



For general information on Rogue River – Siskiyou National Forest, please visit our website at <a href="https://www.fs.usda.gov/main/rogue-siskiyou/home">https://www.fs.usda.gov/main/rogue-siskiyou/home</a>

#### **Internship Dates**

Field Ranger interns should be available to work from May 28<sup>th</sup> through September 8<sup>rd</sup> although the program is flexible to work around school schedules.

### Compensation

The intern will receive per diem at \$28 per day worked. Interns should expect to work at least 5 days per week. Interns will be reimbursed at the rate of 14 cents per mile to travel from their home to their duty station (not to exceed \$500 round trip) for travel to and from Medford for participation in the program. Please note that compensation is distributed through our national central processing center and may take up to six weeks to receive. Intern should come fiscally prepared.

#### Housing

Bunkhouses are available for men and women at the hosting Ranger District office. Bunkhouses may include shared sleeping quarters, kitchen, bathroom, dining, and laundry facilities. The bunkhouse is near the forest office and is generally within 10 mile or less from Prospect, OR.

#### **Transportation**

A personal vehicle is strongly recommended but not required. Government vehicles will be provided for all work-related activities. For interns who do not have a personal vehicle, transportation can be arranged through the Forest Service for pick-up from the Medford area at the beginning of the internship and drop-off at the end of the internship.

## **Equipment**

Interns will be provided with personal protective equipment, hand tools, radios, and GPS units. Interns must have their own personal gear including daypack and sturdy hiking boots.

#### **Academic Credit**

The Forest will work with the intern to provide evaluation and documentation for applicable college or university internship.

#### To Apply

Please submit the following via email by March 20, 2017:

- Cover letter explaining your interest in the position
- Resume including work experience, education, and two references.

Julie Martin, Forest Recreation Program Manager

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