

USDA Forest Service Resource Assistant Program

Position. Recreation Specialist

Duration. 8 Month Fellowship (32 weeks): Starting July 2024 through February 2025 (dates are dependent upon the start date).

Location. Salmon-Challis National Forest, Supervisors Office, Salmon, Idaho

Reports To. The Recreation Specialist will report to the Permit Administrator.

Job Overview

Recreation Specialists in the Forest Service are responsible for a diverse scope of interest within the Agency. At the Salmon-Challis National Forest, the Recreation Specialist would be situated at the Supervisors Office and specifically within the Recreation, Wilderness, Wilderness Trails, Rivers, and Recreation Special Uses program.

Responsibilities and Duties

- Support Permit Administrator in all aspects of the Recreation Special Uses Program.
- Field inspections of Outfitter and Guide camps and trail work completed by outfitters through the Trail Stewardship Act Fee Offset Program.
- May include time spent assisting River Checkers at boat launches on the Middle Fork Salmon and/or Main Salmon Rivers.
- May include multi-day trips with Wilderness Trail Crew performing trail maintenance in the Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness.
- Other duties to be assigned and as needed to support the Recreation Program.

Qualifications

- Organized and detail-oriented.
- Able to follow instructions.
- Able to function independently.
- Good oral and written communication skills.
- Self-motivated to complete tasks from start to finish.
- Basic math skills.
- Experience with data entry.
- Higher level computer skills.
- Backpacking experiences and time spent camping overnight in backcountry settings.
- Experiences building and maintaining trails.
- No specific decree is advantageous over another, however someone with experiences in recreation, trails, and/or rivers may find the work more rewarding.
- While the above qualifications are for ideal candidate, not all are required.



Minimum Requirements

- Completion of 2 years at an accredited university, an Associate's degree, or higher
- US citizenship or permanent residency. RAs must undergo a government background check if selected.
- Participation in US Forest Service Orientation Training scheduled for June 2023