

**DISTRICT RECREATION STAFF OFFICER – PFT AND DETAILER OPPORTUNITIES**

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The Red Rock Ranger District, Coconino National Forest, will soon advertise to fill the District recreation staff officer position. The District is also outreaching for a NTE 120 day recreation staff officer detailer into the vacant position, pending filling the permanent position. The PFT will be advertised through USAjobs.gov as MERIT. Only current Federal employees or those with reinstatement may apply. ***Anyone interested in these positions should complete the attached Outreach Response Form and return it to jmburns@fs.fed.us or contact Jennifer Burns at 928-203-7529 by November 20, 2015. Government housing for the detailer may be available.***

***THE POSITION***

This position directs the district recreation program serving 2 million visitors including dispersed and developed recreation, Red Rock Pass Fee Program (FLREA), management of 2 wild and scenic rivers jointly with the Tonto and Prescott NFs including Fossil Creek and the Verde River, part or all of 7 Wilderness areas, a complex concessionaire program with 5 campgrounds and 3 day use sites and $250,000 GT budget, maintenance of 300 non motorized trail miles, and an active dispersed and motorized recreation program. The recreation staff officer directs the work of 9 full time employees and manages a budget of over $2 million annually.

Special projects that need immediate attention include project lead for the Districts new fee site proposal including public involvement, presentation to the RAC and regional forester; development and implementation of a reservation/permit system for Fossil Creek Wild and Scenic River; collaboration on sustainable recreation efforts with local stakeholders; and management of over $400,000 in grant and partnership funding.

The Red Rock District receives 2/3 of all visitation on the Coconino and has a recreation management emphasis set within an environment of sensitive natural and cultural features. These include the highest cultural site density on the Forest, numerous threatened and endangered wildlife, fish and plant species and highly erosive soils.

This position is supervised by the District Ranger and works closely with other District staff officers including staff officer for Commercial Outfitter and Guide and Recreations Special Uses, and the staff officer for the Visitor Center and Volunteer Coordination and with District law enforcement officers. This is a high profile position demanding frequent public and stakeholder interaction and communication, and responsiveness to unusually high and year round recreation pressures.

***THE SETTING***

The Coconino National Forest consists of three Ranger Districts covering approximately 1.8 million acres. The Forest is located in Northern Arizona and is characterized by a broad plateau of ponderosa pine and many rocky, slot canyons of the Mogollon Rim transitioning to the Upper Sonoran desert areas of the Verde Valley.

The Red Rock Ranger District occupies 550,000 acres and is situated in the Verde Valley, and its “red rock country” is world renowned for its dramatic red sandstone mountains, cliffs, spires, buttes, and mesas of Sedona, Arizona. The District receives 2/3 of the annual forest visitation and has many volunteers and partners involved in day to day management. The district has an active and growing motorized recreation use and non motorized trail use. In particular the ATV and 4x4 rental business is growing in the Verde Valley, placing more pressure on the National Forest.

## ***DUTY STATION***

The Red Rock Ranger District office is located one mile south of the community of the Village of Oak Creek and is approximately eight miles south of Sedona, Arizona. Located in the Verde Valley and Yavapai County, the new Red Rock Ranger District Office is within commuting distance (approximately 8-20 miles distance) of the entire Verde Valley and its small communities. The Verde Valley communities include: Rimrock (population 2,000), Village of Oak Creek (population 3,500), Sedona (population 20,000), Cottonwood (population 18,000), Camp Verde (population 12,000), Cornville (population 3,800), Clarkdale (population 3,500), and McGuireville (population 700). The Verde Valley is about a two hour drive north from Phoenix, Arizona and a 45-minute drive south of Flagstaff, Arizona.

**OUTREACH CONTACT**

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If you are interested in this detail or PFT recruitment please complete this form and send to **Jennifer Burns**. To be considered for the detail you must provide a resume and references.

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