

# Outreach Notice Engineering Technician (Civil) GS-0802-6/7/8

### **Green Mountain and Finger Lakes National Forests**

Rutland, Vermont

#### Please respond to this outreach by November 20, 2017

The Green Mountain & Finger Lakes (GMFL) National Forests, a unit within the US Department of Agriculture—Forest Service, is providing notice that it anticipates filling a single permanent position for an Engineering Technician (Civil) this fall. The duty station will be at the GMFL Supervisor's Office in Rutland, VT. The purpose of this outreach notice is to inform prospective applicants of this anticipated opportunity and to determine interest in the position. The actual job application announcement and application process will occur thru USAJOBS.

#### **About The Position**

This position is part of the Forest's Technical Services staff and performs a variety of typical civil engineering technician duties and fleet and equipment oversight and management. This is a permanent, full-time position and is being filled as a career ladder GS 06/07/08.

#### **Major Duties**

This Engineering Technician (Civil) position provides a range of engineering duties. More specifically, the incumbent would be responsible for, but not limited to:

- Using engineering project survey notes, data, and specifications to make designs and layouts of roads, trails, bridges, drainage structures, facilities, and other systems;
- Ascertaining that all information needed for a project is provided in accordance with appropriate design and drafting standards;
- Maintaining records and monitoring project construction of roads, trails, bridges, drainage structures, facilities, and other systems of limited scope;
- Performing technical review of drawings and exercising judgment in selecting best of all possible design layouts;
- Conducting inspections of existing infrastructure and ongoing construction projects;
- Performing technical review of contract designs to avoid or correct errors of nonconformance with construction specifications and ensuring work meets contract standards;
- Coordinating road maintenance schedules and aiding in identification and completion of facility maintenance needs;
- Coordinating local fleet management and reporting fleet needs to the Zone Fleet Manager;
- Oversight and management of the GMFL fleet and fleet credit card program;
- Current year ordering and out-year planning for GMFL fleet replacement;

The successful candidate must have experience in civil engineering and construction, have good organization and communication skills, and embrace work in a deliberative team environment. In addition to road and facility infrastructure work, the Technical Services staff works closely with other staff on the Forest to also complete a wide variety of other interesting work – including recreation, range, and fisheries projects.

#### **Our Hiring Process:**

If you are interested in this position, please utilize the response form located at the end of this document.

Advantages of responding to the outreach:

- It will help us determine interest in the position and how best to advertise the position
- We will keep you informed of the timing of the application process
- We will provide you with advanced notice of the publication of the vacancy in USAJOBS along with the announcement number

Vacancy Announcement: The vacancy announcement for this position will be posted on the U.S. Government's official website for employment opportunities, <a href="http://www.usajobs.gov">http://www.usajobs.gov</a>. You must apply to the vacancy announcement on USAJobs to be considered for this position.

#### **GMFL Forest Background:**

The GMFL National Forests consist of two national forest units, the Green Mountain National Forest in south-central Vermont and the Finger Lakes National Forest in western New York State. The Green Mountain National Forest is approximately 400,000 acres along the spine of the Green Mountain region in Vermont. The Finger Lakes National Forest is about 16,000 acres located upstate New York. The Green Mountain National Forest is the 10<sup>th</sup> most heavily recreated National Forest in the nation and comprises approximately 5% of Vermont's land base, and 50% of the public lands within the state. There is a high level of interaction with the State of Vermont (which owns most of the other 50% of the public land base) to coordinate our activities and keep each other informed.

The GMFL National Forests operate as a unified forest where all employees work for and serve both forests. These forests have a combined workforce administered from the Supervisor's Office in Rutland, VT. Both Forests are working collaboratively with other agencies and groups to enhance our collective conservation and stewardship of resources on and off the forest. We seek innovators interested in working in such a collaborative environment.

More information about the Forests can be found on our website.



#### **About the Location / Community:**

The Green Mountain National Forest is within a day's drive of over 70 million people. The Forest is known for its scenic beauty, healthy forests, outstanding recreational opportunities, and friendly, hardworking people.

#### **Rutland, Vermont - Community Information:**

General Location: Central Vermont at the foot of the western slopes of the Green Mountains

Elevation: 540 feet

Population: Rutland City - 17,000; Rutland County - 63,000

Government: County Seat; City of Rutland governed by Mayor and Board of Aldermen

Distances To Major Urban Areas:

Albany 100 miles Boston 165 miles Montreal 170 miles New York City 250 miles

**Economic Background**: A wide variety of businesses are located in the Rutland area. See the Chamber of Commerce website for more info: www.rutlandvermont.com.

**Banks**: Several banks; Federal employees' credit union.

**Housing**: For Sale: \$100,000 to \$250,000 and up - many listings. The average price for a single family house is approximately \$150,000. Lower priced homes are older &/or smaller ones, multifamily houses, or in outlying areas. Apartments for Rent: \$500 to \$900 per month, both furnished and unfurnished. Good rentals are not easy to find in single houses and would generally range from \$800 to \$1000+ per month.

**Schools**: Pre-school: a variety of home-based and institutional pre-schools and day care facilities.

Grade Schools: two public elementary schools, one parochial

Rutland Intermediate (grades 3-6) & Middle School (grades 7-8)

High Schools: Rutland High School (grades 9-12); Mount St. Joseph Academy (grades 9-12), Stafford Technical Center

(Other schools located in outlying areas as well).

**Colleges**: College of St. Joseph the Provider (BS, BA, graduate programs); Castleton State College (11 miles; BS, BA, graduate programs); Green Mountain College, Community College of Vermont

**Medical Services**: Rutland Regional Medical Center (medical/surgical hospital); Rutland Regional Ambulance Service; several nursing homes, retirement homes, assisted living; Rutland Mental Health Services; wide choice of doctors, including specialists, and dentists. Nearby: Dartmouth/Hitchcock Memorial Hospital, Hanover, New Hampshire; and Medical Center Hospital of Vermont, Burlington.

**Places of Worship**: Catholic, United Church of Christ, Baptist, Mormon, Christian Scientist, Jehovah's Witnesses, Methodist, Jewish Center, Seventh Day Adventist, Episcopal, Lutheran, Assembly of God, Unitarian, and others.

**Shopping Facilities**: Rutland has a trading population of over 100,000 with over 450 stores, retail and wholesale, including one shopping mall and two shopping plazas.

**Recreation**: Outdoor recreation opportunities abound in all four seasons on National Forest, and other public and private lands. Rutland is close to Killington and Pico Ski Areas, a number of cross-country ski areas, the Appalachian Trail and Long Trail, and many lakes and reservoirs. In addition, Rutland has a city pool, hockey rinks, supervised summer playgrounds and camps, golf, tennis, racquetball, city athletic leagues (including softball, baseball, & hockey), bowling leagues, and movie theaters. Most nearby towns also offer a local recreation area with a variety of facilities and programs, many organized for children.

**Arts**: Chaffee Art Gallery, Paramount Theater, Crossroads Art Council, Castleton Fine Arts Center, and summer stock playhouses in the area.

**Additional Information**: The Chamber of Commerce lists clubs and societies; 6% state sales tax; 9% state rooms and meals tax; 1% city rooms/meals& entertainment tax; state income tax; property taxes fund city/town services and public schools.

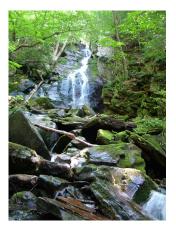
#### For Further Information About The Rutland Area Contact:

Rutland Region Chamber of Commerce 256 N. Main Street Rutland, Vermont 05701 Phone: 802-773-2747

http://www.rutlandvermont.com/

#### **Other Related Web Links:**

http://www.rutlanddowntown.com http://rutland.govoffice.com http://vermont.gov



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## **GMFL Outreach Response Form**

Please complete the outreach form and send electronically with a current resume to <a href="mailto:davidpdonahue@fs.fed.us">davidpdonahue@fs.fed.us</a>;

or mail to: GMFL National Forests

Attn: David Donahue 231 N. Main St Rutland, VT 05701

or fax to: 802-747-6766, Attn: David Donahue

Please respond by November 20, 2017.

Position Title, Series-Grade: GS-0802-6/7/8

Location: Rutland, VT

#### PERSONAL INFORMATION:

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If Yes, current agency and location							
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Type of Appointment if Current			Permane	nt	Term	Temporary	
Government Employee							
Type of Schedule if Government			Full-tim	e	Part-time	Intermittent	
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If you are not a current permanent (career or career conditional) employee, are you							
eligible for appointment under any of the following special authorities (check the							
appropriate box):							
	Person with Disabilities						
	Veteran's Recruitment Act						
Former Peace Corps Volunteer							
Disabled Veteran with 30% Compensable Disability							
	Pathways Program (Students & Recent Graduates):						
	Veterans Employment Opportunities Act of 1998						
	Other, please describe:						