



**Outreach Notice  
Region 1  
Helena and Lewis & Clark National Forests  
Resource Staff Officer  
GS-0101/0401-13**

The Helena and Lewis & Clark National Forests are outreaching, and will be advertising, for a shared Resource Staff Officer position. This position will be located in the Lewis & Clark National Forest Supervisors' Office in Great Falls, Montana. The purpose of this notice is to outreach and inform potential applicants on this challenging and exciting opportunity.

**About the Resource Staff Officer position**

The Helena and Lewis & Clark National Forests have been sharing/pairing programs for several years and are currently working on a formal administrative consolidation. The Resource Staff Officer is a key member of the Forest Leadership Team and Board of Officers, which includes line officers and staff. This position oversees the following program areas: Heritage, Aquatics (fisheries), Watershed (soils and water), two separate Wildlife/Botany programs, Range and Invasive Weeds. The Helena and Lewis & Clark National Forests encompass a large diverse landscape ranging from west of the Continental Divide and spreading eastward across the open prairie to include several island mountain ranges in central Montana.

Daily operations include supervision of six GS-12 program managers, oversight of the budget and program of work for the area of responsibility, and working closely with the program managers and line officers to accomplish a consolidated program of work on both units. The Staff Officer position will maintain strong working relationships with the Board of Officers and Forest Leadership Team, the Forest Supervisor/Deputy Forest Supervisor, and Regional Office personnel.

If you are interested in this opportunity, please complete the attached outreach form and return it to Robin Strathy, Deputy Forest Supervisor, ([rstrathy@fs.fed.us](mailto:rstrathy@fs.fed.us)) by the close of business on **August 30, 2015**.

**HOW TO APPLY:**

The vacancy announcement will be posted in USA Jobs. On-line applications for this position will be accepted through USA Jobs at [www.usajobs.gov](http://www.usajobs.gov).

**Duty Location:** Position will be located in Great Falls, Montana.

**Other Information** - The Helena and Lewis & Clark forests lie in central and north central Montana within the upper Missouri River system. The Helena National Forest encompasses approximately 980,000 acres and the Lewis and Clark Forest encompasses about 1.8 million acres.

Elevations on both units range from about 3,500 feet to over 9,000 feet. Precipitation is generally around 13-20 inches. The forests offer a diversity of environments ranging from open, rolling sage and grassland, to dense timbered mountain slope, to alpine meadows and parks. Both units are home to an abundance of animal life, including several Threatened and Endangered Species such as the grizzly bear. In addition to livestock grazing, logging, recreation, and minerals exploration are also common.

Great Falls is the site of the Lewis and Clark Supervisor's Office. Great Falls has a full range of educational offerings and medical services, including several hospitals and many private physicians and other health care professionals. There are also several retirement homes and community living centers serving the areas.

**Housing** - The cost of living in the Great Falls areas is fairly reasonable with the average home price ranging from \$175,000 – \$250,000. A nice rental unit can be found for about \$900-1,100 per month.

**Climate** - Residents of the Great Falls area enjoy all four seasons. The summer temperatures range from 70s-80s with some warmer days. The winters are fairly mild, by Montana standards, with temperatures ranging in the high teens to thirties intermixed with some colder spells.

**Additional links/websites:**

Helena National Forest: <http://www.fs.fed.us/r1/helena/>

Lewis & Clark National Forest: <http://www.fs.fed.us/r1/lewisclark>

**FOR MORE INFORMATION/CONTACT**

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Contact Robin Strathy at (406) 791-7726 or by email: [rstrathy@fs.fed.us](mailto:rstrathy@fs.fed.us). *All interested applicants should submit the attached outreach survey form so they can be notified of the vacancy announcement number and closing date when it becomes available.*

**Helena and Lewis and Clark  
National Forest  
OUTREACH RESPONSE FORM  
Position Identification**

<b>Position of Interest:</b> <b>Resource Staff Officer</b>	
<b>Series/Grade:</b> <b>GS-0101/0401-13</b>	
<b>Location:</b> <b>Great Falls, MT</b>	
<b>Applicant Information</b>	
<b>Name:</b>	<b>E-Mail Address:</b>
<b>Mailing Address:</b>	
<b>Work Phone:</b>	<b>Alternate Phone:</b>
<b>Agency Employed with:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>USFS</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>BLM</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>NPS</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Other</b> _____	
<b>Type of Appointment:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Permanent</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Temporary</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Term</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>VRA</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>PWD</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Other</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Not Current Employee</b>	
<b>Current Region/Forest/District:</b>	
<b>Current Series And Grade If Applicable:</b>	
<b>Current Position Title:</b>	
<b>Where Did You Hear About Vacancy/Outreach?:</b>	
<b>If you are NOT a current permanent (career or career conditional) employee, are you eligible to be hired under any of the following authorities:</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Reinstatement</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Veterans Readjustment</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Disabled Veteran with 30% Compensable Disability</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Veteran's Employment Opportunities Act of 1998</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Person with Disabilities</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Former Peace Corps Volunteer</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Pathways</b> (former Student Career Experience Program) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Other</b>
<b>Additional Remarks</b>	