The Ashley National Forest seeks to fill two seasonal Hydrologic Technician positions stationed in Vernal, UT.

If you are interested in the positions listed below please contact the associated contact person to receive further information. It is anticipated that the following position announcements will be posted on USAjobs.gov in early February 2017. Please remember to attach ALL transcripts and certifications to your application. You must apply during the time posted below and select the appropriate duty location in USAjobs to be considered for these positions.

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Job Description:

Title: Hydrologic Technician, GS-1316-04  
Vacancy Announcement #: 17-TEMP-R4-1316-4HYD-DT  
Duty Location: Vernal, UT  
Job Duration: June 5, 2017 – September 08, 2017  
Work Schedule: 40hrs/wk.  
Pay Rate: $13.55/hr.  
For More Information Contact: Ryan Mower at 435-781-5170, rmower@fs.fed.us or Kevin Faucher at 435 781-5130, kfaucher@fs.fed.us

Position Description: Hydrologic Technician in Vernal, UT (Supervisors Office): The anticipated start date is June 5, 2017 with an expected end of season date of September 08, 2017. A primary role for the positions will involve hydrologic and geomorphic surveys of stream channels and spring sites. Survey work will include longitudinal and cross section surveys using automatic and laser survey equipment. Spring survey work will follow Forest Service Level 1 Groundwater Dependent Ecosystem protocols. Positions will also assist in other air and water quality monitoring, identification, documentation, and mapping of watershed conditions for future restoration projects, with a focus on road/stream crossings, dispersed recreation sites, and motorized trails. A portion of time will be spent assisting ongoing trail and meadow restoration projects, including installation of water bars, hardened crossings, and barrier fence. Perform other duties as assigned.

These are field-going positions with a majority of worktime spent in a forest setting under a variety of weather conditions, varying elevations from 6,000 to 13,500 feet, and sometimes traversing steep uneven terrain. Work
will require wading in streams and wetland areas to collect field data. Field work will typically be conducted with a crew of two. Limited time working alone may be required. Access to work sites will be by four-wheel drive truck and backpacking. Some survey locations may involve a limited amount of overnight camping. Must possess a valid state driver’s license and be able to hike up to 10 miles per day in rugged terrain carrying a 30 lb. backpack.

**Housing:** Seasonal government housing is not available. The average apartment rental in Vernal is $500.00 to $750.00 a month. Rooms within apartments typically rent for $200.00 a month.

**About the Forest**

Ashley National Forest has its headquarters in Vernal, Utah; it comprises 1.3 million acres located in the northeastern portion of Utah and southwestern portion of Wyoming. National Forest System lands are located in three major areas: the northern and southern slopes of the Uinta Mountains, the Wyoming Basin, and the Tavaputs Plateau.

The Ashley National Forest is bordered by the Uintah and Ouray Ute Indian Reservation, the Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forests, private property, and lands administered by the Bureau of Land Management and State of Utah. Dinosaur National Monument is located approximately 10 miles east of the Forest.

The Ashley National Forest was established by President Theodore Roosevelt in 1908. Its forest and range lands are protected and managed to ensure timber, grazing, minerals, water, and outdoor recreation for the American people.

The vast Uinta Mountains watershed within the Forest boundary provides vital water supplies for power, industry, farm, and city use in Utah, Nevada, Wyoming, and California. Sheep, cattle, and horses graze under permit on over a half million acres of the Forest each season. Timber is managed in harmony with other resources to insure a continuing supply and a quality environment. Over 2.5 million visitors come to the Forest each year to participate in outstanding outdoor recreation activities, such as boating, fishing, camping, hiking, backpacking, horseback riding, cross-country skiing, and snowmobiling.

Forest landscape ranges from high desert country to high mountain areas. The elevation varies from a low of 6,000 feet to a high of 13,528 feet above sea level at the summit of Kings Peak.

Topographical diversity and intensive land management has served to protect the visual quality on the Forest. The existing vegetation patterns and the geological formations further add to the aesthetic value. The Forest boundaries include places such as the Sheep Creek Geological Area, the High Uinta Wilderness area, the Green River, and the Flaming Gorge National Recreation Area.

**About Vernal, Utah**

Vernal has a population of approximately 9,030 people and the surrounding Uinta Basin population is approximately 32,588 according to 2010 census bureau data. Vernal is situated in northeast Utah about 35 minutes from the Colorado border (and Dinosaur National Monument) and 1.5 hours south of the Wyoming border. Flaming Gorge National Recreation Area on the Ashley National Forest is a neighboring district that is a good reference point for locating the area since it is easily discernable on most maps. Vernal is approximately 2 hours from ski resorts such as Park City, UT and Steamboat Springs, CO; and approximately 2.5 to 3 hours from cities along the Wasatch front like Salt Lake City and Provo, UT. The Vernal area has year-round recreation throughout the Uinta Mountains and Uinta Basin including fishing, hiking, mountain biking, whitewater rafting, motorized and non-motorized boating, camping, hunting, snowmobiling, cross-country skiing, and more. Vernal city has recreation leagues for sports such as basketball, softball, volleyball, tennis,
soccer, and other activities like yoga and table tennis. For more information about Vernal and surroundings go to: http://www.vernalchamber.com/ or http://www.utah.com/cities/vernal.htm

HOW TO APPLY
These appointments are temporary seasonal positions. The vacancy announcements will be posted on USAJOBS at www.usajobs.gov/.

To apply for a job, there are four basic steps:

1. **CREATE AN ACCOUNT** - Enter your profile information and create or upload a resume. Please note that you do not need to create a “My Account” to search for jobs, but you must create an account to apply for jobs online. You will need to request a user ID and password. Allow yourself at least two days before the application deadline to complete this process to ensure you have time to get your application submitted.

2. **SEARCH JOBS** – Use basic search to enter in job and location keyword information from the USAJOBS home page. Or you can use the advanced search function which allows you to search by vacancy announcement number or series and grade. Review the job opportunity announcements and note those of interest. Carefully review the “Qualification and Evaluation” section to determine whether you will qualify for the position.

3. **APPLY FOR JOBS** – Carefully follow the instructions in the “How to Apply” section for each announcement. You may store up to five uploaded or “resume builder” created resumes in your profile. Submit any additional documentation to verify your qualifications such as transcripts, SF-50 Notification of Personnel Action, and/or Veterans’ Form DD-214.

4. **MANAGE YOUR CAREER** – Log into your account to obtain application status for positions for which you have applied. Contact the agency for specific follow-up questions or those related to the particular job. You may also contact agency personnel regarding the position. However, please note that we do not see your application until the vacancy announcement has closed and we have requested a list of candidates. Only those applicants that are qualified for the position will be referred to the hiring official.