

Rocky Mountain Region, USDA Forest Service  
Position Outreach  
**NEPA Coordinator (GS-401-9/11), Shoshone National Forest, Lander, WY**



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**Please Reply by - February 22, 2013**

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***Position Information***

The Forest is planning to fill a NEPA coordinator position, GS-401-9/11. The duty location will be Lander, Wyoming. This will be advertised as both a merit promotion announcement and under Demonstration (Demo) announcement in USA.Jobs, at the beginning of the calendar year (January 2013).

The South Zone of the Shoshone N.F. consists of the Washakie and Wind River Districts. The North Zone is comprised of the Clarks Fork, Greybull and Wapiti Districts, which is a combined District responsible for managing the entire northern portion of the Forest. The incumbent will be expected to work on projects

across both zones. This position is supervised by the Washakie District Ranger.

This position functions as the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Coordinator for the Shoshone National Forest thru cooperation and coordination with the Forest Planning Staff. Major duties include: Provides Interdisciplinary Team leadership for completing environmental impact statements, environmental assessments, and decision memos for a wide variety of natural resource management projects. Develops and implements public involvement and public scoping strategies. Develops and provides opportunities for public collaboration and partnerships. Provides review of NEPA documents and reports for adequacy to meet requirements of Federal laws and regulations for Forest activities; provides NEPA mentoring and advice to forest and contracted personnel; develops NEPA budget proposals, provides oversight, and monitors expenditure of NEPA projects; provides coordination for NEPA appeals and objection process; provides guidance for managing NEPA process; coordinates Schedule of Proposed Action updates; manages NEPA email inbox; assists with NEPA training, data stewardship and file management.

***If you have any questions about the position or the forest, you may contact Steve Schacht (Washakie District Ranger at 307-335-2171 or [schacht@fs.fed.us](mailto:schacht@fs.fed.us)) or Rick Metzger (Wind River District Ranger at 307-455-4151 or [rmetzger@fs.fed.us](mailto:rmetzger@fs.fed.us))***

### **The Forest:**

The Shoshone National Forest was established in 1891 as a part of the Yellowstone Timberland Reserve. The forest is an integral portion of the 10 million acre Greater Yellowstone Area which is centered in Yellowstone National Park. The Shoshone consists of 2,470,430 acres of varied terrain ranging from sagebrush flats to rugged mountain peaks. Over one half of the forest is designated wilderness. With Yellowstone National Park on its western border, the Shoshone encompasses an area from the Montana state line south to South Pass,

Wyoming, and includes portions of the Absaroka, Wind River, and Beartooth mountain ranges. The western boundary of the forest south from Yellowstone is the crest of the Continental Divide. Elevations on the Shoshone ranges from 4,600 feet at the mouth of the spectacular Clarks Fork Canyon, to 13,804 feet on Gannett Peak, Wyoming's highest point.

There are five Ranger Districts on the Shoshone: Clarks Fork, Wapiti and Greybull Ranger Districts headquartered in Cody, Wyoming; Wind River located in Dubois, WY; and Washakie located in Lander, WY.

For a complete description of the Forest, including photos, see our WEB PAGE ([click](#)) <http://www.fs.fed.us/r2/shoshone/>.

**About Lander:** Lander is located in the foothills of the southern Wind River mountains in northwest Wyoming. At an elevation of 5,357 feet, Lander is flanked on the west by the spectacular Wind River Mountains and the east by the hills and wide open plains that typify Wyoming. The district contains the beautiful Cirque of the Towers at the crest of the Continental Divide in the Popo Agie Wilderness. At the southern end of the district is the historic mining towns of South Pass City and Atlantic City. In addition the South Pass area is historically significant as the confluence of numerous historic trails (ie Oregon Trail, Mormon Trail, Pony Express, etc) leading west.

Lander's economy is based primarily on tourism, recreation, and agriculture throughout the year. During the summer you can enjoy excellent fishing, backpacking, horseback riding and sightseeing opportunities. Autumn brings big game hunting, and the coming of snow opens the backcountry to cross-country skiing and snowmobiling. There are numerous motels, restaurants and , full service banks and in the Lander area. The larger community of Riverton is 24 miles away and is home to the Central Wyoming Community college, a super Wal-Mart, and numerous other shopping, restaurants, and service opportunities.

The Lander calendar is filled with special events throughout the year. During the summer there

are the International climber's festival, brew festival, Chokecherry festival, Native Amercian Pow Wows, 3 on 3 basketball tournament, One-Shot Antelope hunt, farmer's markets, just to name a few. The Lander Parks & Recreation Department maintains a very busy schedule of activities for kids and adults as well as organized leagues that range from volleyball to hockey. Central Wyoming Community College provides fall and spring opportunities to take various short courses that range from quilting to Shoshone culture. The Catholic Wyoming College is also based out of Lander.

For a smaller community (population 6,867), Lander has a surprising variety of activities. Lander offers everything you need. There are 5 full service banks, two grocery stores, a movie theater, a handful of coffee houses, and several excellent restaurants. Nearest commercial airports are in Jackson, Riverton, and Casper at 160, 24, and 146 miles away, respectively. The community offers one high school, one junior high, and four elementary schools. A bi-weekly paper (Wednesday and Sunday), the Lander Journal, will keep you posted on local events. For routine or emergency medical services there is the Lander Medical Clinic and Lander Valley Medical Center. The Fremont County Ambulance Service provides emergency care and transportation to the hospitals in Riverton and Jackson. You will find nearly 25 churches in the Lander area, serving numerous religious affiliations. Catholic, Baptist, Methodist, Episcopal, Church of Latter Day Saints, and Lutheran churches are located within the community. Housing choices are limited. Rent can range from \$300.00 - \$600.00 per month and can be hard to find. Houses average between \$115,000 - \$295,000.

Winter time activities are just as numerous. The South Pass area offers an access point to the Continental Divide Snowmobile Trail, a maintained cross country ski trail, and additional access to unlimited snowshowing opportunities. Lander is approximately 2.5 hours from Yellowstone and Grand Teton National Parks. Wildlife watching and photography are favorite activities from late November through April as herds of antelope,

bighorn sheep, elk and deer winter in the area. Moose are not an uncommon site.

For more information contact the Lander Chamber of Commerce at:  
<http://www.landerchamber.org/>

Main Street



# Outreach Form

## Reply by: February 22, 2013

### Position Identification

Position Title: **NEPA Coord**

Series/Grade: **GS-401-9/11**

Location **South Zone of the Shoshone National Forest, Lander, WY**

### Applicant Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Title, Series, Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Current Organization/Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Appointment: \_\_\_\_\_

If you are NOT a current permanent (career or career conditional) employee, are you eligible to be hired under any of the following authorities:

Permanent  Temporary  Term  Not Current Employee

- Reinstatement
- Disabled Veteran with 30% Compensable Disability
- Veteran's Employment Opportunities Act of 1998
- Other

- Person With Disabilities
- Former Peace Corps Volunteer
- Demonstration Project (external recruitment from the general public)

Applicants May Use This Space to Identify Special Qualifications, *Interests, Needs or Provide Other Information:*

Please contact **Steve Schacht**, Washakie District Ranger for any questions at **307-335-2171**.

Please send this completed form to **sschacht@fs.fed.us** or fax to **307-332-0264**