



United States Department of the Interior
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

Wrangell-St. Elias National Park & Preserve
PO Box 439
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RECRUITMENT BULLETIN: **WRST-15-022**

ISSUE DATE: **April 8, 2015**

CLOSING DATE: **April 15, 2015**

***JOBS AVAILABLE THROUGH THE ALASKA LOCAL HIRE PROGRAM--
PUBLIC LAW 96-487***

Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve is accepting applications seasonal full-time position. More than one position may be filled from this job posting.

POSITION

Biological Science Technician GS-0404-04

\$14.94 per hour plus 7.18% COLA

DUTY LOCATION

Yakutat, AK

BENEFITS: Paid Holidays, annual and sick leave. **FEHB Coverage:** Temporary, seasonal, and intermittent employees on appointments expected to last at least 90 days, and expected to work a schedule of 130 hours or more a calendar month, will be eligible to enroll in a Federal Employee Health Benefit (FEHB) health plan upon notification from their employing office. Eligible employees will be responsible for the employee share of the premium while on the official agency roles, which will be deducted from bi-weekly earnings.

APPOINTMENT INFORMATION: Seasonal full-time, approximately June 7, 2015 to August 15, 2015(will not exceed 1039 hours). May involve weekend work or performance of duties before or after "normal" working hours. Government housing is NOT available. Must be at least 18 years of age. A driver's license is recommended.

DUTIES: Incumbent will assist with marine debris clean up, field operation logistics, as well as invasive plant and animal surveys. Duties will include data entry and reporting. Incumbent will have limited supervision and will work independently and with other park staff, youth, partners and agencies. Incumbent should be able to lift up to 40 pounds and walk at least two miles per day. Field work environment will include exposure to biting insects and inclement weather.

WHO CAN APPLY: U.S. citizen who, by reason of having either lived or worked in or near Wrangell-St. Elias National Park & Preserve, has acquired special knowledge or expertise regarding the natural or cultural resources of the park.

Any individual who, by reason of having lived or worked in or near Wrangell-St. Elias National Park & Preserve and has special knowledge or expertise regarding the nature or cultural resources of the area may be eligible for employment under the Local Hire Excepted hiring authority.

Areas of consideration include: Chisana, Chistochina, Chitina, Copper Center, Dot Lake, Gakona, Gakona Junction, Glennallen, Gulkana, Healy Lake, Kenny Lake, Long Lake, Lower & Upper Tonsina, McCarthy, Mendeltna, Mentasta Lake, Nabesna, Nelchina, Northway/Norway Village, Northway Junction, Slana, Tanacross, Tazlina, Tetlin, Tok, Tonsina and Yakutat.

Applicants must also demonstrate special knowledge of cultural and natural resources in the area and must meet time requirements in which the applicant has lived long enough to have gained the special

knowledge of the cultural and natural resources of the public land. Such time period should have been long enough to encompass the full range of typical climatic conditions and have experienced all seasons. Seasonal residency will not be considered sufficient time to have obtained adequate special knowledge or expertise to qualify under Local Hire as intended in section 1308 of ANILCA.

QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS: Qualifications will be determined by evaluating experience and education as described in the resume, particularly in the Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities listed below. All qualification requirements must be met by the closing date of this job posting.

KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES:

The answers to the following questions will help us to evaluate your qualifications to perform the duties of this position. Please note that only qualified applicants will be referred. It is important to provide detailed information about your experience, particularly in the following Knowledge, Skills and Abilities (KSAs). Please use separate sheet of paper(s) to answer KSA questions.

1. Ability to work as part of a field team implementing Natural Resource related projects.
2. Skill in implementing resource management projects following standardized protocols and instructions in field settings.
3. Knowledge and experience with standard computer software and Global Positioning Systems (GPS) relating to natural resource management activities.

CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT:

- Favorable suitability background investigation. Results of the investigation must be adjudicated **prior** to employment.
- Federal employees are required to utilize Direct Deposit (EFT), for their Federal Salary checks.
- Must be a US Citizen.

HOW TO APPLY:

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY! If your application package is incomplete, you may not be considered for this position.

Your application package must be postmarked or received in this office by the closing date of the announcement. If your application package is postmarked on the closing date it must be received in this office no later than 7 calendar days after the closing date. Hand delivered applications must be received by close of business on the closing date.

A complete application package must include:

1. Resume that provides detailed information about your work experience. Also include the dates worked (for example, June 2009 through August 2010), work schedule (for example, 40 hours per week); the position title; and employer name for each period of employment.
2. Answers to the KSAs listed above, on a separate piece of paper.
3. Completed Local Hire Eligibility Questionnaire *
4. Veterans Preference documents, if claiming Veterans Preference (see below for documents)
5. *Optional:* Although not required, you are encouraged to submit the attached "Applicant Background Survey" (DI-1935) * with your application. Please ensure that it is the last page of your application package, as it is removed from your application before it is forwarded to the selecting official.

* Attached to this announcement, or can be obtained from the park office.

Mail or deliver the following required forms to Park Headquarters, Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve, Mile 106.8 Richardson Highway, Box 439, Copper Center, Alaska 99573. Assistance and forms may be obtained from the park office or by calling 907-822-5234.

If your application package is incomplete or illegible, you will not be considered for this position.

Do not submit original documents that you may need in the future, or extra materials such as letters of recommendation, photographs, or award certificates.

We do not accept faxed or electronic application packages, or applications mailed in postage paid government envelopes or through an internal government mail system.

If you make a false statement in any part of your application you may not be hired or you may be fired after you begin work; or you may be subject to fines, imprisonment or other disciplinary action.

VETERAN'S PREFERENCE (for qualifying veterans): To receive Veteran's Preference, your application package must include a copy of the DD-214, Military Discharge, that shows the type of discharge from service (usually the Member 4 copy), or Report of Separation from Active duty if separation was prior to July 1, 1979. If claiming 10-point veteran's preference, you must also provide a completed SF15 (www.opm.gov/forms) and verification documents listed on the SF15. If you are separated and do not have a DD214 yet you may use an official statement of service from your command that you have completed active service and are being discharged under honorable conditions, or provide other official documentation (e.g., documentation of receipt of a campaign badge or expeditionary medal) that proves your military service was performed under honorable conditions. You will not receive veteran's preference if you do not provide this documentation.

If you do not know whether you have preference, [this link](#) can assist you. (www.dol.gov/elaws/vets/vetpref/msservice.htm)

Reasonable Accommodations: The agency provides reasonable accommodations to applicants with disabilities where appropriate. If you need a reasonable accommodation for any part of the application and hiring process, please notify the park office listed on this announcement. Determinations on requests for reasonable accommodations will be made on a case-by-case basis.

Privacy Act Information The application you submit for this position contains information subject to the privacy act of 1974 (PL-93-579, 4 USC 552a). We are required to provide you with information regarding our authority and purpose for collecting this data, the routine uses which will be made of it and the effects, if any, of non-disclosure. You are entitled to the same information as it pertains to disclosure of your social security number. Any questions you may have regarding the Privacy Act regulations and the rights it extends can be answered by contacting the park office.

Equal Employment Opportunity Appointments are made without regard to race, color, age, sex, sexual orientation, religion, political affiliation, national origin, marital status, non-disqualifying handicap condition or any non-merit factor.

ALASKA LOCAL HIRE APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY QUESTIONNAIRE
Biological Science Technician
Duty Stations: Yakutat, AK
WRST-15-022

This eligibility questionnaire must be submitted with your application package. Please print your name and answer the following: .

Your Name: _____

Eligibility Questions

1. How long have you lived or worked in the vicinity of Wrangell St. Elias National Park and Preserve?
 - a. Less than 12 months
 - b. 12 months or more
 - c. I have not lived or worked in or near the park

2. What time of year have you lived or worked in or near Wrangell St. Elias National Park and Preserve? (check all that apply)
 - a. during all or part of December through February
 - b. during all or part of March through May
 - c. during all or part of June through August
 - d. during all or part of September through November
 - e. I live (or have lived) in or near the park on a year around basis.

3. List your physical address(es) while living in the vicinity of Wrangell St. Elias National Park and Preserve, and approximately when you lived there (month & year, for example Oct 2001 to September 2005)

4. Do you have knowledge, by virtue of living in this area, of one or more of the items listed below (circle all that apply)?
 - a. Community history such as: specific dates, important events, seasonal observations, customs, etc.
 - b. Geographic features and/or unique land markers such as: mountain or river locations, types of landscapes, or other
 - c. Wildlife (including identification of): mammals, birds, big game, fish, or other animals specific to the area.
 - d. General knowledge of safety precautions, weather conditions, recreation options, and important information knowledgeable to the local community.
 - e. Supplies and logistics needed for field camping including area-specific needs or that incorporate challenges or safety aspects specific to the area.
 - f. Other unique information not listed above that shows familiarity with the full range of typical conditions that affect the work to be accomplished. Describe here (use additional paper if needed):

 - g. I do not have knowledge or experience as listed above.

5. How did you obtain your knowledge of the Wrangell St. Elias National Park and Preserve (circle all that apply)?
 - a. Personal knowledge such as: fishing, hunting, camping, hiking, etc.
 - b. Professional: obtained through work (this work, and the date and year worked, must be cited in your resume)
 - c. Official training: high school class, college course
 - d. Other resource used to obtain knowledge that is not listed above (you may be asked to elaborate later).
 - e. I do not have the knowledge listed above.

Applicant Certification:

I certify that the statements made on this application are true, correct and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that the information I provide may be verified and that I will not be considered if it is found to be inaccurate.

Applicant signature

Date

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS: The information from this survey is used to help ensure that agency personnel practices meet the requirements of Federal law. Your responses are voluntary. Please answer each of the questions to the best of your ability. Read each item thoroughly before completing the appropriate code number in the blank.

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT NUMBER WRST-15-022	TODAY'S DATE: (MM/DD/YY)
POSITION TITLE Biological Science Technician	SERIES/GRADE GS-0404-04
1.NAME: (Last, First, MI)	
4. How did you learn about the position or exam you are applying for? Please circle your choice(s).	
01 Private Information Service 02 Magazine 03 Newspaper 04 Radio 05 Television 06 Poster 07 Private Employment Agency 08 State Employment Office	09 Agency Personnel Office 10 Federal Government recruitment at school/college 11 Federal/State/local job information 12 Religious Organization 13 School/college counselor or official 14 Friend/Relative working in agency 15 Friend/Relative not working in agency 16 Other(specify)_____
5. Please categorize yourself in terms of race and sex using the definitions below. Indicate in space number 6 the RACE/ETHNIC CODE which indicates the group you identify yourself. Check the appropriate space in number 7 to show your sex.	
A - American Indian or Alaskan Native B - Asian or Pacific Islander C - Black, not of Hispanic Origin D - Hispanic E - White, not of Hispanic Origin	6. RACE/ETHNIC CODE: _____ 7. Check to indicate your sex. Female: _____ Male: _____
8. Do you have any disabilities? Yes No	
<p>PRIVACY ACT INFORMATION</p> <p>This information is provided pursuant to Public Law 93-579 (Privacy Act of 1974), December 31, 1974, for individuals completing Federal records and forms that solicit personal information. AUTHORITY: Sections 1302, 3301, 3304, and 7201 of Title 5 of the U.S. Code. PURPOSE AND ROUTINE USES: The information from this survey is used for research and for a Federal Equal Opportunity recruitment program to help ensure that agency personnel practices meet the requirements of Federal law. EFFECT OF NONDISCLOSURE: Providing this information is voluntary. No individual personnel selections are made based on this information. INFORMATION REGARDING DISCLOSURE OF YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER UNDER PUBLIC LAW 93-579, SECTION 7 (b): Solicitation of Social Security Number by the Office of Personnel Management is authorized under provisions of Executive Order 9397, dated November 22, 1943, and is used to relate this form with other records that you file with Federal agencies.</p>	