The USDA Forest Service, R5-Pacific Southwest Region, is planning to fill a permanent position for a **Regional Office Planning Team Leader, GS-0401-12/13** for the Regional Office Ecosystem Planning Staff.

A description of the duties, point of contact, and an outreach reply form for the position are provided. If you are interested in this opportunity, please let us know by returning the reply form by June 20, 2016.

**For further information on this position, please contact:**

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**Duties include but not limited:**

- Manages and oversee the preparation of assessment reports, revises forest plans and related environmental documents, and prepares monitoring plans and other supporting documents required through the revision process, consistent with applicable law and regulation.
- Responsible for meeting overall project timeframes and intermediate milestone dates that are set and agreed to by the Steering Committee and Regional Forester to ensure the timely completion of the revision process.
- Coordinates with individual Forest’s on their Forest Plan revisions. Serves as the principal liaison between Regional and Forest leadership, Forest Planners and Forest Interdisciplinary Team members. Supervises Core IDT members.
- Coordinates with the Washington Office Ecosystem Management Coordination Office and Regional and Forest Planning Staff, in order to ensure consistent policy and procedural direction.
- Coordinates with the Office of General Counsel (OGC) to ensure legal and regulatory guidance and compliance.
- Consults with the Regional Directors, Forest Supervisors, and other Staff at the regional or forest level in order to resolve complex, controversial legal or technical problems, interrelated issues or conflicting goals and objectives.

**Duty Location:** Regional Office located in Vallejo, California
Community Information:

- The Pacific Southwest Region of the USDA Forest Service manages National Forest lands in California and assists the State and Private forest landowners in California, Hawaii and the U.S. Affiliated Pacific Islands. The Pacific Southwest Region is commonly referred to as Region 5 (R5). The R5, Pacific Southwest Region is comprised of 18 National Forests with a combined size of over 20 million acres, or approximately one-fifth of California's land base. Information about the R5, Pacific Southwest Region can be found at website: [http://www.fs.fed.us/r5/](http://www.fs.fed.us/r5/)

- The Regional Office is located on Mare Island in Vallejo, California. Vallejo is located at the north end of San Francisco Bay, 30 miles northeast of San Francisco, 60 miles west of Sacramento and approximately 20 miles from the Napa Valley. Mare Island lies within the area qualifying for Bay Area locality pay which is currently 35.15% above base pay. For those considering retirement in a few years, locality pay is included in the base considered for the High-3 in retirement calculations.

- Housing: The median price for a single family home is approximately $300,000 - $650,000 (may be lower, based on the market). Rentals range from $800 - $3000 per month. For additional information on housing check the following website: [http://www.ci.vallejo.ca.us/GovSite](http://www.ci.vallejo.ca.us/GovSite) and [http://www.visitvallejo.com](http://www.visitvallejo.com)

- Schools: Public schools kindergartens through grade 12 are provided through the Vallejo City Unified School District. There are public and private schools, day care, preschool and after school care facilities located in the surrounding areas of Mare Island. Secondary and Post-secondary schools include: Touro University’s College of Osteopathic Medicine and School of Health and Science, located on Mare Island and Solano County Community College, which offers two-year vocational programs. In addition, the Bay Area is home to many world-renowned schools including the University of California at Berkeley and Stanford University in Palo Alto with other educational opportunities existing through colleges and universities within a short distance of Vallejo.

- Transportation: Vallejo is served by State Highways 29 and 37 and Interstate highways 80 and 780. The Vallejo Baylink Ferry operates daily between Vallejo and San Francisco, a one-way trip takes about 50 minutes. Greyhound, Continental Trailways and Baylink provides bus service to regional points from Vallejo. Nearby airports include Oakland International (30 miles southwest) and San Francisco International (40 miles southeast) also Sacramento International is (60 miles north) of Vallejo.

- Cultural and Recreation Opportunities: Vallejo's waterfront and municipal marina provide a spectacular backdrop for sailing, fishing, wind surfing, jet skiing and more. There are many golf courses in the area. Vallejo is located near the Pacific Ocean. It is two hours from the Sierra Nevada Mountains and less than an hour from the Napa Valley wine country. San Francisco and the greater Bay Area are home to several professional football, baseball, hockey and soccer teams. The Bay Area is famous for its many excellent restaurants and nightclubs, its world-class ballet, symphony, opera, theaters and museums of many types and are available throughout the Bay Area.
OUTREACH REPLY FORM
USDA-FOREST SERVICE
PACIFIC SOUTHWEST REGION (REGION 5)
1323 CLUB DRIVE, VALLEJO, CA 94592

Please respond by June 20, 2016

REGIONAL OFFICE PLANNING TEAM LEADER, GS-0401-12/13

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AGENCY EMPLOYED WITH: ______USFS ______BLM ______OTHER
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CURRENT REGION/FOREST/DISTRICT: __________________________
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WHERE DID YOU HEAR ABOUT VACANCY/OUTREACH? __________________________

IF NOT A CURRENT PERMANENT (CAREER OR CAREER CONDITIONAL) EMPLOYEE ARE YOU ELIGIBLE TO BE HIRED UNDER ANY OF THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL AUTHORITIES:
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____ FORMER PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEER
____ VETERANS READJUSTMENT
____ STUDENT CAREER EXPERIENCE PROGRAM
____ OTHER __________________________

This outreach form does not constitute an application. The vacancy announcement will appear on the USAJOBS website: www.usajobs.gov/

Submission of this form is voluntary, but is encouraged. Thank you for your interest!