About the Position

This is a permanent, full-time position. Primary responsibilities are managing the planning, development, and implementation of the West Zone stand improvement and reforestation program.

The position will be supervised by the District or Zone Silviculturist and the duty location will be Republic, Washington.

This is a career ladder position with grade levels of 07/09. The 07 grade level is an advanced trainee position where the incumbent performs productive forestry work and receives advanced training pertaining to Forest resources and activities with emphasis on stand improvement and reforestation.

Duties include but are not limited to:

- Stand improvement and reforestation
- Collecting compartment, stand prescription, or presale information data
- Assisting in the administration or supervision of reforestation, site preparation, herbicide and/or timber stand improvement contracts
- Preparing silviculture prescriptions that treat and/or help prevent insect and disease problems, for TSI purposes, and for Rx burning purposes.
- GIS and database management for the silviculture program
- Spatial analysis and cartography for silviculture projects
- Conducting cruises of timber stands and performing related timber sale preparation

Desirable job skills and knowledge include:

- Ability to work independently and in a team environment
- Ability to identify and resolve problems
- Knowledge of forestry principles, concepts and practices
- Working knowledge of ArcMap GIS and FSVegetation spatial
- Knowledge of Forest Service Common Stand Exam (CSE) protocol
- Knowledge of FACTS database and FACTS Spatial
- Reforestation experience including knowledge of seedling types, handling, and planting.
- Be certified as a Level 2 COR in FAITAS

Major Duties:

Assists with the preparation and documentation of program of work needs and accomplishments.

Prepares or participates in the environmental analysis of projects and may draft environmental documents (e.g., decision memos, environmental assessments and environmental impact
statements and related instruments). May draft study reports and evaluations to NEPA informational document or may evaluate NEPA documents developed by others.

Participates on an interdisciplinary team and assists with the completion of environmental studies and evaluations concerning a variety of resources, such as social economics, land, air, water, timber, recreation, wildlife, fisheries, and/or additional special area.

Conducts examinations of timber compartments and stands on the unit and evaluates the conditions found. Makes or recommends basic land management decisions based on these evaluations.

Makes silviculture prescriptions and action plans for Timber Stand Improvement (TSI) and reforestation work necessary to attain timber management objectives using aerial photographs and on-the-ground observation and measurements.

Performs project planning activities concerning pest management and forest health protection.

Participates in timber sale unit layout and sale administration to ensure that silvicultural management objectives are maintained.

The Colville National Forest is looking for an individual interested in collaboration, building relationships, and embarking on new ways of doing business. If you enjoy innovation and teamwork, this may be the place for you!

Interested individuals should complete the attached outreach response form. This ensures that you will receive notification when the vacancy announcement is posted on www.usajobs.com.

For questions about this position, please contact:

Jonathan Day, Forest Silviculturist, jday@fs.fed.us or 509-684-7231
About the Colville National Forest

Tucked into the northeastern corner of Washington State and nestled at the foot of the northern Rocky Mountains, the Colville National Forest is an exquisite landscape of forested mountains, clear mountain streams, and fertile valleys. The 1.1 million acre forest was shaped over 10,000 years ago by Ice Age glaciers that carved three major valleys: the Columbia, Sanpoil-Curlow, and Pend Oreille River valleys. The mountains and valleys that comprise the lush northeast corner of Washington roll like waves on the high seas. Three waves of mountains run from north to south, separated by troughs of beautiful valleys. These ranges, the Okanogan, Kettle River and Selkirk are considered the eastern edge of the Okanagan highlands and the foothills of the Rocky Mountains.

The Forest has four districts supervised by three District Rangers: Three Rivers Ranger District located in Kettle Falls, Newport and Sullivan Lake Ranger Districts and the Republic Ranger District. Each unit tends to have distinctly different zones, each with its unique climate, topography, and vegetation. Each district office is located in one of the major river drainages: the Sanpoil-Curlow River Valleys, the Kettle-Colville-Columbia River Valleys, and the Pend Oreille River Valley. The Forest also provides services to the Curlew Job Corps Center located 30 miles north of Republic.

Forest topography is varied, ranging from rounded mountain slopes at low elevations to high peaks and basins above 7,300 feet in elevation. Primary access is through approximately 4,400 miles of roads and 518 miles of trails. Ecology is highly diverse ranging from ponderosa pine
and Douglas fir on drier sites to western red cedar, western hemlock, western white pine and a variety of deciduous species on wetter sites. The Forest also has a significant expanse of lodgepole pine and the famously beautiful western larch. Wildlife includes a tremendous variety including whitetail and mule deer, elk, moose, bighorn sheep, mountain goats, and black bear. Rare sightings are also possible of the threatened grizzly, Canada lynx, and endangered woodland caribou. Another amazing sight is the large number of bald eagles that winter along the major rivers and nest in the vicinity.

Our lakes, rivers, and streams offer an abundance of German brown trout, rainbow trout, eastern brook trout, westslope cutthroat trout, bull trout, mountain whitefish, largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, burbot, Kokanee salmon, and yellow perch. We have groomed cross-country and snowmobile trails, many miles of backcountry non-motorized trails, over a hundred miles of single track motorcycle trails, a growing network of ATV routes, as well as opportunities for rock climbing, mountaineering, swimming, watersports, bird watching, and opportunities to find solitude in the Salmo-Priest Wilderness or several other roadless areas. No matter what your recreational interests are, you’ll probably find an opportunity to explore them further on the beautiful Colville National Forest!

About the City Republic and the Surrounding Area

Republic, Washington, is the county seat for Ferry County and is a full-service, rural community with a population of 1,000. Republic is located in Northeast Washington between the communities of Tonasket and Colville and is 35 miles south of the Canadian border on Highway 20. Spokane, Washington, the largest city in Eastern Washington, is 125 miles to the southeast. Republic is approximately 50 miles from Colville, WA, and 60 miles from Omak, WA. For more information on Republic, please click on the links below.
www.republicwa.org
http://www.ferry-county.com/index.html
**OUTREACH RESPONSE FORM**
Colville National Forest

**Please respond by July 29, 2016.**

If you are interested in applying for this position and want to receive updates of the position’s status, please respond in the Outreach Database (preferred) or by completing this outreach form and sending it to `jday@fs.fed.us`. For additional information concerning the duties of the job and/or how to apply, contact:

**Jonathan Day, 509-684-7231**

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**Applicant Information**

**Name:**

**Phone:**

**E-Mail Address:**

**Preferred work location:**
- ☐ Kettle Falls, WA
- ☐ Republic, WA

If you are a current federal employee:

**Current Title, Series, Grade:**

**Current Organization/Location:**

**Current Appointment:**
- ☐ Permanent
- ☐ Temporary
- ☐ Term

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

- ☐ Persons with Disabilities
- ☐ Former Peace Corps Volunteer
- ☐ Public Lands Corps Program
- ☐ Pathways Internship Program
- ☐ Recent Graduates Program
- ☐ Veterans Recruitment Act
- ☐ Disabled Veteran (30% Compensable)
- ☐ Veterans Employment Opportunities Act of 1988
- ☐ Other

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