# U.S. Forest Service GEOLOGIST JOB IN MONTANA! OUTREACH NOTICE

### Region One, Lewis and Clark National Forest

Title, GS-Series-Grade: Geologist GS-1350-05/07/09

Physical Scientist GS-1301-05/07/09

**District/Unit:** Judith Ranger District, Stanford Montana

Lewis and Clark National Forest

Date of Notice: October 28, 2011

The Lewis and Clark National Forest will be filling one GS-05/07/09 Minerals Specialist position with a duty station of Stanford, Montana. This position is a permanent full time position. This notification is being circulated to inform prospective applicants of this upcoming opportunity and to determine interest in the position. FOREST SERVICE EMPLOYEES ON THE WORKFORCE REDUCTION AND PLACEMENT LIST WILL RECEIVE PRIORITY CONSIDERATION AND CTAP/ICTAP CANDIDATES WILL RECEIVE THE APPROPRIATE CONSIDERATION.

### \*\*OUTREACH RESPONSE\*\*

Interested applicants, or those desiring further information, should contact the supervisor listed below:

Name of Supervisor:	Ron B. Wiseman, District Ranger	
	Judith Ranger District	
	Or	
	Bethany Ihle, Geologist	
	Helena and Lewis and Clark National Forest	
DUE DATE TO RESPOND:	November 28, 2011	
Phone Number:	Wiseman 406-566-2292; Ihle 406-495-3863	
e-mail address:	mailto:rwiseman@fs.fed.us; bihle@fs.fed.us	
Mailing address:	PO Box 484	
	Stanford, MT 59479	

### **POSITION INFORMATION:**

This is an entry-level job within the USDA Forest Service. Though the position is located at the Judith Ranger District, the scope of work that the incumbent would work on is forest-wide.

This position serves as the minerals administrator, interpretive geologist, and abandoned mine reclamation specialist for the Lewis and Clark National Forest, as well as various Ranger District related duties. The incumbent would work under the zoned geologist for the Helena and Lewis and Clark National Forests. An ideal candidate is confident, independent, and receptive to ever changing priorities and tasks. The primary duties of the incumbent are to administer new and ongoing locatable mineral projects, administer mineral materials sales permits and sites, continue development of the Forests' locatable and mineral materials sites database and GIS layers, respond to requests for geologic information and education, maintain inventory and condition reports of priority forest caves, provide minerals and geology resources information for Forest small NEPA projects, continue inventory and closure of mine safety hazards, and support forest coordination efforts with EPA on two Superfund sites on the forest.

This position requires excellent communications skills and an overall knowledge of the Forest Service's minerals programs. This position may supervise seasonal minerals employees. Training will be provided commensurate with level of skill and expertise.

OTHER CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT (Optional):

Contracting Officers Representative HAZWOPER Training

### LOCATION/COMMUNITY INFORMATION:

### ABOUT THE LEWIS AND CLARK NATIONAL FOREST

The Lewis and Clark National Forest is 1.4 million acres of outstanding mountainscapes and complex geology in Region One within Montana. The Forest stretches from Choteau Montana on the western side to Stanford Montana on the eastern side and includes portions or all of several mountain ranges including the Rocky Mountain Front, Little Belt Mountains, Highwood Mountains, Big and Little Snowy Mountains, Castle Mountains and the northern portion of the Crazy Mountains. The geology varies from classic overthrust geology to Precambrian crystalline basement exposures as a result of Laramide uplift. Caves, the Yogo Sapphire deposit, oil and gas potential, and hard rock mineral deposits make this Forest one of the most geologically diverse in the Region. The Stanford Montana area is known for its quality rural lifestyle, big game hunting, and variety of recreational activities. Check out the Forest web site at: <a href="http://fs.usda.gov/lcnf">http://fs.usda.gov/lcnf</a>.

### ABOUT THE STANFORD COMMUNITY

Stanford Montana, the county seat for Judith Basin County, is a small but vibrant, rural, agriculturally - based community of approximately 400 people. The community setting is on the open, prairie foothills east of the Little Belt Mountains. The community includes K-12 schools, basic community services such as banking, grocery, medical clinic, insurance, churches, and restauarant/bars. The nearby mountain ranges offer excellent downhill and cross country skiing, snowmobiling, hunting, hiking, camping and other recreation opportunities. Stanford is 60 miles east of Great Falls, which has an airport with excellent carrier service. The community is also 45 miles west of Lewistown, a larger agricultural community in central Montana.

The elevation of Stanford is about 4500 feet. Summer daytime temperatures range from 60-90 degrees and winter temperatures average about 25 degrees. Of course extremes in temperature can occur in Stanford similar to any place in Montana!

<u>HOUSING:</u> The housing market is limited in the Stanford area and there is the possibility of renting government furnished housing. Rental rates for an average small home range from \$400-\$600//month. Purchase price for a 2-3 bedroom home averages from \$70,000 and up.

<u>SCHOOLS:</u> Stanford has a public K-12th grade school system. Pre-school is available for children 4-5 years old. .

<u>MEDICAL</u>: Stanford has a medical clinic that provides basic services through a physicians assistant. Great Falls is located 60 miles west and Lewistown is 45 miles east and both provide full service medical, dental and other specialties.

<u>DAY CARE FACILITIES:</u> Stanford has one Day Care available.

STANFORD AREA RECREATION FACILITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES: The emphasis of most area residents is outdoor recreation and some of the finest hunting, fishing, boating and winter sports opportunities are within minutes of Stanford. The Wild and Scenic designated stretch of the Missouri River is located north of Stanford. World class elk hunting is available in the Little Belts and Big Snowy Mountains areas. Warm and cold water fishing opportunities abound on the Mussellshell and Missouri Rivers, in local reservoirs and in mountain streams.

Stanford is the center of 'Charlie Russell Country'. It has a museum/gift shop and community swimming pool/park. Nearby communities support excellent steak houses as well as charming gift shops and museums.

<u>FOREST RECREATION:</u> Recreation opportunities abound in all seasons of the year on the Lewis and Clark National Forest. Special attractions include the Bob Marshall Wilderness area and world class scenery and recreation on the Rocky Mountain Front, Kings Hill winter recreation area and Showdown and Teton Pass downhill ski areas. The

Lewis and Clark Forest has many miles of wilderness/backcountry hiking trails and an extensive motorized trail system The Forest is home to 150 native species of birds, mammals, fish, and reptiles, providing game for photographers and game hunters alike.

# OUTREACH NOTICE RESPONSE FORM

## **Lewis and Clark National Forest**

Position Title/Series/Grade:	
Location:	
	Personal Information
Address:	Date:
Lotus E-Mail Address:	
Internet E-Mail Address:	
Phone: Office/Home: Cell:	
Are you currently a Federal	Employee? Yes: No:
If yes, fill out the following: Current Title/Series/Grade:	
Highest Position Held: Title/Series/Grade:	
Location:	
IF YES: Type of Appoint you are cu under:	rrently
Current Agency, and location and contact info:	(e.g., Career, Career-Conditional, Excepted)

IF NO:		
Are you currently a temporary employee?	<b>Yes:</b>	No:
IF NO Are you currently enrolled or have yo university bachelor's or graduate student defield?		
Yes: No:		
If yes, provide name of college/university, de year in degree program, expected graduation		g or have obtained,
IF NO:		
Are you currently employed as a geologist or	related position? I	f yes, please provide
the name of your employer, your position tit	le, how long you ha	ve worked there and
a description of the work you are doing.		

Briefly describe why you will be a quality candidate for this position: \*