



OUTREACH NOTICE OUTREACH NOTICE



**USDA FOREST SERVICE
Bridger-Teton National Forest
Support Services Specialist
Please Respond by January 25, 2012**

NOTE: Outreach for this position as a GS-0342-6/7 will be posted for 21 days, but please do not delay in responding.

About the Positions

The Bridger-Teton National Forest will be filling four PFT GS-0342- 6/7 Support Services Specialist (SSS) Positions. The full performance level of these positions is a GS-0342-07 and can be filled at either the GS-06 or GS-07 level. The duty stations will be on; Buffalo Ranger District at the Blackrock Ranger Station in Moran WY, Jackson Ranger District in Jackson WY, Big Piney Ranger District in Big Piney WY and Grey's River Ranger District in Afton WY.

The position will plan, coordinate, and direct a variety of clerical and administrative operations including but not limited to supervision of one permanent employee, providing technical advice and assistance to the District Ranger and District staff on matters associated with IAS, I-WEB, GovTrip, work planning/budget preparation, management of office operations, a very large housing program, procurement, management of District correspondence, property management, collection officer, and travel and payroll assistance/coordination for District employees.

The incumbent will be the District Liaison for all office support services to the administrative and program staff. Incumbent must be capable of interpreting and applying Agency-wide administrative directives, policies, regulations, and procedures to insure effective direction to District programs. The position will assist staff in solving administrative issues, direct and plan daily office operations, schedule office staff, and manage internal and external customer service using both oral and written skills. Incumbent will participate in District staff meetings to discuss administrative topics/issues.

The Support Service Specialist has the responsibility for providing management and supervision of the administrative functions for the District and will supervise one individual.

Government housing options: Government housing will be available for the positions at Blackrock and Jackson Ranger Stations. Government housing is not available at the Greys River or Big Piney Ranger District.

About The Bridger Teton National Forest

The Bridger-Teton National Forest (BTNF) is part of the largest intact ecosystem in the lower 48 states. The 3.4 million acres stretch from the southern border of Yellowstone National Park, covering the entire eastern flank of Grand Teton National Park, wrapping around Jackson Hole valley, to the sagebrush prairies of southwest-central Wyoming.

The Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem is a loosely defined area characterized by high elevation coniferous forests, sage/grass steppes, mountain ranges and deep valleys, large expanses of wild lands and three wilderness areas, abundant wildlife, and internationally recognized scenic and natural features.

The Forest includes headwaters of three nationally significant rivers (Yellowstone, Snake and Green). Tributaries to these rivers are considered exceptional in trout habitat and home to native strains of cutthroat trout.

Some of the largest and most diverse populations of mammals in North America exist here. This ecosystem still includes all of the major carnivores, an indication of its ecological completeness. The BTNF includes undisturbed habitat for threatened and endangered species including the grizzly bear. The Forest's wild lands are large and relatively unaltered by human activity, making them valuable for scientific study and determining baseline conditions for comparison elsewhere.

Recreation opportunities and scenic quality are internationally renowned. The BTNF attracts over 2.6 million visitors each year. The three wilderness areas cover over 1.3 million acres; the Bridger, the Teton and the Gros Ventre totaling more than one-third of the BTNF acreage, and containing major migration routes for wildlife. The Forest offers some of the nations best opportunities for winter sports. Two major ski resorts, Jackson Hole Mountain Resort and Snow King, are located on the Forest. The backcountry landscape contains a multitude of cross-country skiing trails and miles of trails for snowmobiling. Summer recreation contains a trail system of some 3000 miles and a network of scenic roads stretching more than 2500 miles. The Forest also offers unique features such as the scenic and challenging Snake River Canyon, where more than 150 thousand visitors float through its whitewater each year; the Gros Ventre Slide, one of the largest natural landslides in the country; Periodic Springs on Swift Creek near Afton, which is one of the few coldwater geysers in the world; Fremont Lake, the second largest lake in the State of Wyoming, and one of the deepest in the U.S.; Kendall Warm Springs known as the only home for the Kendall Warm Springs Dace; and Gannett Peak (elev. 13,804) the highest point in Wyoming.

The BTNF also has important commodity resources. Scientists believe that there are large reserves of oil and gas trapped beneath the Forest landscape. Approximately 360,000 acres are open to oil and gas leasing.

Pine, spruce and fir have long supported the local logging industry. The Forest offers approximately 10 to 12 million board feet annually, of which about one third is non-commercial firewood, and post and poles for fences.

The BTNF also contains some of the richest grazing lands in Wyoming, where more than 40,000 cattle, 2000 horses and, and 80,000 sheep graze annually.

Buffalo Ranger District

The scenic 720,000-acre Buffalo Ranger District is bounded by Yellowstone National Park to the north, Grand Teton National Park to the west, the Shoshone National Forest to the east, and the BTNF's Jackson Ranger District to the south. The District includes only a small amount of private inholdings. The historic Blackrock Ranger Station compound itself is approximately one square mile in size, with numerous housing units, worksites, and warehouses situated within its boundaries.

Central to the District is its large and varied recreation/Wilderness program. There is a high volume of recreation use through outfitter guides, several developed campgrounds, and dispersed use. There are several historic guard stations on the District located in the Teton Wilderness areas. The most remote spot in the lower 48 states (in terms of distance from roads) is located in the Teton Wilderness.

Other programs on the District include active timber sales, and a large and active whitebark pine management program. Working relationships with other federal and state agencies, Teton County government, and many non-governmental organizations are very good with many partnerships ongoing.

The duty station is located at the historic Blackrock Ranger Station (Moran, WY), located approximately 40 miles north of Jackson, WY, and 8 miles east of Moran and the East Gate to Grand Teton National Park. The area is extremely beautiful with the Teton Range in full view from most areas of the District.

The square-mile Blackrock Ranger Station compound is comprised of the Ranger District office and numerous housing units, warehouses, corrals, pastures, and worksites around which the District's operations are centered. Many amenities are provided on-site, including laundry, garbage pickup, and snow removal of Ranger Station compound roads in the winter.

Housing in the Buffalo Valley is sparse and when available, is well into the \$500,000 range and up for a ½ acre 3 bedroom dwelling. Government housing at Blackrock Ranger Station is located within walking distance of the Ranger Station office.

There are two towns relatively close to Moran - Jackson, and Dubois, each approximately 40 miles away. Jackson, with a population of approximately 8,000, is a full service community with shopping, hospital, clinic, movie theaters, and airport and is discussed in further detail below. Dubois is smaller than Jackson, with a population of 2,000, and is more typical of a Wyoming ranching community although schools, shopping, medical and religious services are all available there. The nearest major city is Idaho Falls, (2 hour drive) with a population of 150,000.

Moran is served by the Teton County School District; there is an excellent elementary school in Moran with K through 5th grades. Grades 6 thru 12 are bused approximately 40 miles to Jackson, WY.

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itself receives typically well over 200 inches of snow each year. Annual rain precipitation averages 15.2 inches.

Jackson Hole:

Jackson is a world renowned resort town with a population of 8,000+ inhabitants. "Something for everyone" is the perfect description for Jackson - tennis, swimming, golfing, shopping, world renowned skiing resorts (Snow King, Teton Village, and Targhee), the Grand Teton Music Festival's classical music, and of course, all the great outdoor recreational sports such as hiking, mountain climbing, hunting, fishing, snowmobiling, boating, four wheeling, wildlife viewing, whitewater rafting, bicycling, horseback riding and camping.

There is a wide range of religious services available in the area – either in Dubois, Grand Teton National Park, or in Jackson.

St. John's Hospital provides good health care services in the Jackson Hole area. Comprehensive care includes 24-hour emergency services, general surgery, professional home care, an outpatient Surgical Center, sports medicine, wellness programs and the St. John's Living Center long-term care facility. Other medical services include general internists, obstetricians, gynecologists, family physicians, radiologists, orthopedists, physical therapists, psychiatrists, psychologists, licensed social workers, ophthalmologists, a dermatologist, dentists, orthodontists, chiropractors, and EMT services.

Transportation into and out of Jackson is available via air service and auto. Car rentals and taxi service are available at several locations around town including the airport. Public and private bus service is provided between the airport, Jackson, and Teton Village.

Jackson Ranger District

The Jackson Ranger District covers roughly 695,411 acres that are bounded by Grand Teton National Park, Teton Basin and Palisades Ranger Districts of the Caribou-Targhee; Buffalo, Pinedale, Big Piney, and Big Piney Ranger Districts of the Bridger-Teton; the Wind River Ranger District of the Shoshone National Forest; the National Elk Refuge; and private lands. Due in part to the scarcity of private lands, the district manages over 240 outfitter and guide and recreation special use permits, and roughly 230 non-recreation special use permits. This setting combined with being a national destination for tourism make the Jackson district one of the most complex in Region 4. The District has an excellent tenured staff. The District manages most of the 287,000 acre Gros Ventre Wilderness, whose western boundary is less than ½ mile from the town of Jackson. The District manages 2 ski areas and several developed campgrounds. There is a high volume of recreation use through outfitter guides, several developed campgrounds, and dispersed use. The district is actively addressing a number of Wildland Urban Interface issues through the fire and fuels, and vegetation management programs. The grazing program includes 2 forage reserves and 13 active allotments. The District has an active wildlife program as well. Working relationships with other agencies, local government, and many non-governmental organizations are very good with many productive and diverse partnerships.

Jackson Wyoming Community

Jackson, Wyoming, home of the Bridger-Teton National Forest, Supervisor Office, lies in the Jackson Hole Valley which is approximately sixty miles long by twenty miles wide. This beautiful alpine

valley is a magical playground nestled in the shadow of the towering, majestic Teton Mountains on the west and the Gros Ventre Mountains on the east. It is located in the northwestern corner of Wyoming. Jackson lies in Teton County which covers 2,873 square miles. Jackson's elevation is approximately 6,200 feet above sea level.

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Jackson Hole is served by the Teton County School District, Central Wyoming College, and several private and religious pre-schools, kindergartens and elementary schools.

	Number of Schools
Kindergarten	1
Elementary	6
Middle School	1
High School	1

Teton County employed 23,987 people in 2004 at an unemployment rate of 3.1%. There is a high percentage of governmental employment in Teton County. The governmental agencies are represented by the Bridger-Teton National Forest, Grand Teton National Park, Yellowstone National Park, the National Elk Refuge, Wyoming Game and Fish, Town of Jackson and Teton County employees.

Since only 3% of the land in Jackson Hole is privately owned, land and housing is extremely expensive. A three bedroom, standard home on a 1/2-acre lot is commonly priced over \$500,000+. A standard two/three bedroom rental cost \$1,800+ plus per month. There is a 6% State and County tax on goods. Real estate is high, but there is no personal income tax. Government housing may not be available for this position. Forest Service affiliated day care facilities are not available.

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The Town of Jackson provides a 21 active-officer Police Department, 35 sworn County Sheriff Deputies, and 37 fire fighting trucks and water support equipment in the Volunteer Fire Department. Other utilities that are available are: electricity, natural gas, water, sewer, trash removal, recycling, and telephone communications.

Transportation into and out of Jackson is available via air service and auto. Three carriers provide year around air service. United Express services Jackson from Denver International Airport. Sky West/Delta Airlines serves Jackson from its hub in Salt Lake City. During the summer months and the ski season, Jackson receives additional service from United Airlines and American Airlines providing non-stop service from markets such as Denver, Chicago and Dallas. Delta Airlines serves Jackson during the ski season from Salt Lake City. Car rentals and taxi service are available at several locations around town including the airport. Public and private bus service is provided between the airport, Jackson, and Teton Village.

Driving distances from Jackson are listed below:

To:	Miles
Kemmerer, Wyoming	155
Big Piney, Wyoming	90
Afton, Wyoming	70
Pinedale, Wyoming	77
Buffalo Ranger District	43
Ogden, Utah (Regional Office)	243
Billings, Montana	316
Casper, Wyoming	284
Denver, Colorado	512
Idaho Falls, Idaho	95
Salt Lake City, Utah	280
South entrance Yellowstone National Park	59
South entrance Grand Teton National Park	13

For more information on our community, please contact the Jackson Hole Chamber of Commerce at (307) 733-3316 or on the web at www.jacksonholechamber.com.

Big Piney Ranger District

The Big Piney Ranger District contains 449,000 acres and hosts a wide variety of cultural and natural history, recreational opportunities, timber, range, mineral reserves, and wildlife. It contains snow-capped mountain peaks, lush vegetation, clear mountain lakes and streams. The Ranger District has 14573 miles of Wilderness in the Gros Ventre Wilderness and 26,800 Miles of Wilderness Study Area in the Shoal Creek WSA. The District maintains 300 miles of system trails and 200 miles of groomed snowmobile trails. Big Piney Ranger District has 18 permitted summer and fall outfitters, 11 summer homes and three developed campground. Big Piney Ranger District's Range Program has 28 grazing permits, 14 allotments & 85,000 head months of forage for livestock annually. Big Piney Ranger District has an active timber program including beetle kill salvage, fire salvage, and firewood sales.

Big Piney

The town of Big Piney is a small community located high in the rolling hills of Western Wyoming in the Green River Basin along the Green River. Big Piney is the oldest community in Sublette County, WY and is located just a mile away from the closest town, Marbleton. The elevation is 6,849 feet with a combined population of Marbleton and Big Piney is approximately 1,600 people. Big Piney enjoys average temperatures between 14 F. (January) and 70 F. (July). Average annual snowfall is 72.3 inches, rainfall is 7.2 inches, and relative humidity is 24%. The average growing season is 60 days.

The Big Piney area offers an abundance of fishing, hunting, hiking, wildlife watching, and snowmobiling experiences. Although the climate can be challenging for some (it has snowed in every month at some point in the recent history) the outdoor and recreational opportunities are hard to beat. Along with the Wyoming Range Mountains that the district encompasses, Big Piney is just over an hour away from accessing the Wind River Range, and the Bridger Wilderness in Pinedale.

Big Piney has an excellent county library providing computers, internet connection, a wide variety of books and magazines, and an excellent collection of DVD's available to be checked out.

<http://sublettecountylibrary.org/BigPineyBranch.htm> There is also a community workout facility and recreation center that can be used 24 hours a day with specific pass purchase. There is a new movie theater (<http://www.townofbigpiney.com/FlicksnPins.html>) and bowling alley to provide additional in town, recreation opportunities.

There is one bank, 12 churches, a senior citizen center, day care facilities, numerous local organizations, town government, police and fire protection, utilities, one post office, 2 weekly newspapers, and an FM radio station.

Schools

Big Piney High School (307) 276 3324

Big Piney Middle School (307) 276 3315

Big Piney Elementary School (307) 276 3313

Churches: churches near Big Piney, WY

Christian Life Center #3 Winkelman Ave, Marbleton - (307) 276-5394

The Church Of Jesus Christ Of Latter Day Saints 2266 Piney Dr, Big Piney - (307) 276-3251

Church Of St Anne - Big Piney Rectory (307) 367-2359 Pinedale

Community Congregational Church (NACCC) 410 Black Street, Big Piney - (307) 276 5713

Congregation of St. John Church, 410 Black Street, Big Piney - (307) 276-5713

First Southern Baptist Church 1501 Circle Way, Big Piney Church (307) 276-3357

La Barge Christian Center 139 Main Street, La Barge 390-8453

New Testament Baptist Church Big Piney - (307) 537-5293

Peace Lutheran Church 1st Ave. & Winkelman Ave, Marbleton Ph. #'s Office (307) 276-3843 Saint

Anne's 421 Piney Drive, Big Piney - (307) 276-3227

St. John Episcopal Church 340 Smith Ave. Big Piney

Truth Ministries 540 Smith Ave, Big Piney - (307) 276-3653

Proximity to surrounding communities:

Pinedale, Wyoming (Pinedale District D7)	36 Miles
Jackson, Wyoming (SO and Jackson District D4)	91 Miles
Kemmerer, Wyoming (Kemmerer District D1)	70 Miles
Afton, Wyoming (Greys River District D3)	134 Miles
Rock Springs, Wyoming (nearest airlines)	105 Miles
Salt Lake City, Utah	200 Miles
Ogden, Utah (Regional Office)	193 Miles
Denver, Colorado	456 Miles

See more information at www.bigpiney.com

Afton

Afton is at the south end of Star Valley and is the largest of the communities in Star Valley. Star Valley has a population of about 10,000 while Afton has a population of about 2,000. The valley is 60 miles long by 5 miles wide. The elevation is 6,134 feet and winters are long. Residents enjoy blue ribbon trout fishing, hunting, camping, hiking, golfing, snowmobiling, wildlife viewing, horseback riding, and boating.

The average maximum temperatures in the summer are approximately 80°F, while the average minimum temperatures in winter are 4°F. The area can remain below 0 degrees at times during the winter months. Average total snowfall is approximately 80 inches.

The school system in the valley is comprised of three grade schools, one junior high, and one brand new high school with a 25 student per teacher ratio. There are adult higher education opportunities with the University of Wyoming community education program and a library.

Housing is reasonable with prices ranging from 150,000 to 350,000 for the purchase of a single family home. There are also rentals available. All of the normal amenities are available in Afton such as grocery stores, banks, variety stores, a local newspaper, theater, radio station, etc. Afton has a hospital, a care center, home health service, physicians, and pharmacies. For more information about Afton and Star Valley visit the web site starvalleychamber.com on the internet.

Web site: <http://www.fs.usda.gov/btnf/>

Twitter: [@BridgerTetonNF](https://twitter.com/BridgerTetonNF)

Please send the outreach attached below to the District Rangers of the Districts you wish to apply for.

Contact information:

Buffalo Ranger District Contact : Thomas Matza District Ranger Phone: (307) 543 2386 Email: tmazta@fs.fed.us	Jackson Ranger District Contact: Dale Deiter District Ranger Phone: (307) 739 5400 Email: ddeiter@fs.fed.us
Greys River Ranger District Contact: Adam Menconca District Ranger Phone: (307) 543-2386 Email: mendonca@fs.fed.us	Big Piney Ranger District Contact: Don Kranendonk, Acting District Ranger Phone: (307) 276-5800 Email: dwkranendonk@fs.fed.us

OUTREACH NOTICE RESPONSE FORM

Please Respond by Friday, January 25, 2013

GS-342 – 6/7 Support Services Specialist
Bridger-Teton National Forest

Name:

Address:

E-Mail Address:

Phone:

Current Title/Series/Grade

Location/Forest:

Supervisor's Name/Phone#:

Describe your interest and
what skills you offer us: