



## OUTREACH NOTICE (Reply by April 1, 2014)

USDA Forest Service  
Pacific Northwest Region  
Forest Health Protection  
State & Private Forestry

Entomologist, GS-0414-11/12/13  
R6 Regional Office, Portland, Oregon

**POSITION:** *The USDA Forest Service, Pacific Northwest Region will soon be advertising the above position located in Portland, Oregon.*

**DUTIES:** This position is located in Forest Health Protection, State & Private Forestry and serves as an entomologist in the Regional Office. Although there are some opportunities to assist in field level activities with the entomologists and pathologists in the Service Centers, activities and work are primarily at the regional level assisting in, and providing entomological input into, regional programs and coordinating regional level programs. The position coordinates with other staffs in the regional office, as well as regional or state level staff of other federal and state agencies.

This position is the Program Manager for the invasive forest insects program which includes providing updates on invasive insects, responding to new and potential insect introductions, participating as an ad-hoc member of R6 RISIT as needed, providing information to, and reviews of, environmental documents involving invasive insects, and designing and coordinating region-wide surveys, technology development and other projects involving invasive insects, and administers and monitors grants and agreements concerning invasive insects, including working in, and accessing IWEB. Work with invasive insects requires a close coordination and relationship with the APHIS offices in both WA and OR, and State Departments of Agriculture in both WA and OR.

The incumbent coordinates and works closely with the regional entomologist and pathologist, and the Service Center professionals on both invasive and native forest insects and identifies opportunities for regional and landscape level analysis involving forest insects and diseases. Participates in training and technical assistance activities, as needed. Keeps up-to-date on insect and disease models used in the R6 Forest Vegetation Simulator and participates in the Regional annual FVS training.

Serves as the program manager for the R6 prevention/suppression-project program by preparing the annual call letter to Forest Supervisors for project proposals, compiling project proposal scores from a review team, leading and coordinating the annual proposal-review meeting, periodically revising the proposal-evaluation criteria and the review process, and maintaining and providing the R6 input to the FAD database.

Serves as the National Coordinator for the Forest Insect and Disease Leaflets series. Maintains the FIDL database, assigns numbers to new leaflets, reviews leaflets prior to publication for consistency, format and layout, and works with the regional Public Affairs for publication, and coordinates distribution nationwide. Serves as the FHP webmaster for the regional office. Updates and maintains the RO FHP websites by maintaining the FHP regional websites, uploads the Forest Health Monitoring Highlight reports and other publications, and maintains the national International Activity Team (IAT) website, coordinates with the regional webmaster and keeps abreast of changes in website standards and requirements.

As needed, provides advice to the Forest Health Protection staff in Alaska concerning invasive insects, prevention/suppression projects, and related topics.

This is a permanent full-time position. Although a professional level entomologist position, this position could be developmental and filled at a journeyman level, with grade increases, as appropriate, without further competition. This position may be eligible for telework and other flexible work arrangements, but it is not a virtual position. Some travel and field work is required.

**LOCATION:** the position duty station: Portland, Oregon

**Portland, Oregon** is affectionately called the City of Roses. The Portland metropolitan area, including Vancouver, Washington, has a total population of approximately 1.5 million people. It offers the amenities of a large city and yet is often described as having the feel of a small town grown big. Portland is a thriving, full-service city with excellent housing, medical facilities, professional sport activities, educational institutions and shopping. Portland is known for its restaurants, coffee shops, and cultural activities. And when you want to get away to the great outdoors, you are close to mountains, desert and ocean. The weather is mild, with one or two snowy periods a year, and there's the rain for which Portland is famous (but only 40 inches annually); also pleasant sunny days, and some hot summer days with low humidity. There are wide ranges of housing alternatives, from downtown apartments, to condominiums, to single family homes. One can choose to live in settings that range from highly urbanized to rural. The high cost of living is offset by locality pay.

**QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:**

Those who are interested in this opportunity must meet the qualification requirements for the GS-0414-11/12/13. Qualifications are covered in the OPM Qualification Standards Handbook. These standards are available on the Internet at:

<http://www.opm.gov/qualifications/standards/indexes/num-ndx.asp>

**CONTACT:**

If you are interested in this position, return the attached outreach reply form to Doug Daoust by e-mail [ddaoust@fs.fed.us](mailto:ddaoust@fs.fed.us) by **April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014**. For more information about the position, contact Peg Polichio, Director for State & Private Forestry at 503-808-2340, or Doug Daoust, Assistant Director of State & Private Forestry, at 503-808-2913.

*PLEASE NOTE: The purpose of this Outreach Notice is to determine the potential applicant pool for this position and to establish the appropriate recruitment method and area of consideration for the advertisement (e.g., target grade or multi-grade and service-wide, region-wide, government-wide, or DEMO). Responses received from this outreach notice will be relied upon to make this determination.*

# OUTREACH RESPONSE FORM

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If you are interested in this Permanent position and want to receive a copy of the Vacancy Announcement, please complete this form by **April 1, 2014** and send to **Doug Daoust** by email or mail. Details are listed below:

Email: [ddaoust@fs.fed.us](mailto:ddaoust@fs.fed.us) Phone: 503-808-2913

Mail: USDA Forest Service, Attn: Doug Daoust  
1220 SW Third Ave.  
Portland, OR 97204

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

CURRENT EMPLOYER: USFS \_\_\_ BLM \_\_\_ OTHER (SPECIFY) \_\_\_\_\_

CURRENT POSITION TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

TYPE OF CURRENT GOVERNMENT APPOINTMENT: PERMANENT \_\_\_\_\_ TEMPORARY \_\_\_\_\_ TERM \_\_\_\_\_  
OTHER \_\_\_\_\_ N/A \_\_\_\_\_

CURRENT AGENCY/REGION/FOREST/DISTRICT: \_\_\_\_\_

CURRENT SERIES AND GRADE: \_\_\_\_\_

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

\_\_\_ PERSON WITH DISABILITIES \_\_\_\_\_ VETERANS READJUSTMENT

\_\_\_ DISABLED VETERAN W/ 30% COMPENSABLE DISABILITY

\_\_\_ VETERANS EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES ACT OF 1998

\_\_\_ FORMER PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEER \_\_\_\_\_ STUDENT CAREER EXPERIENCE PROGRAM

\_\_\_ OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for your interest in our vacancy. USDA Forest Service is an equal opportunity employer