



Title: Forestry Specialist

Position: Recreation Ranger

Location: State Lands in Jamaica, Ludlow and Reading VT, with possible work throughout Windsor and Windham Counties

Pay: \$ 16.89 /hr (paygrade 17)

Season: Mid May through the end of August, with possibility for work through mid October

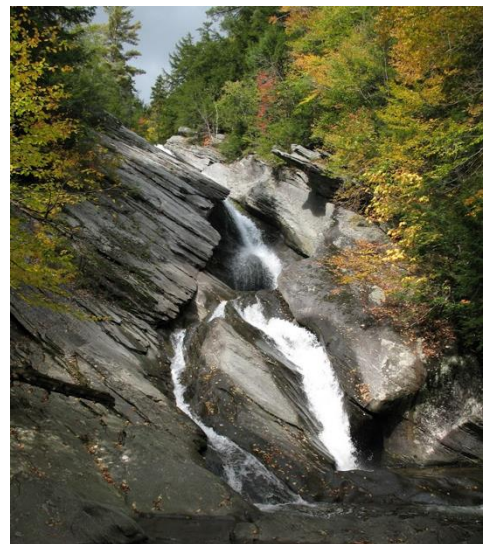
Schedule: Full time with significant weekend time commitment. Schedule will be weather based, and applicant must be willing to work during peak swimming times. Possibility for additional part time position.

Travel: A vehicle will be provided for travel to work sites.

Housing: Housing is not available for this position.

Equipment: All tools and protective supplies necessary for the job will be provided. Appropriate clothing, boots and rainwear are supplied by employee.

Description: *Want to spend your summer working outside at some of Vermont's best swimming holes and waterfalls? Look no further, the Vermont Dept of Forests Parks and Recreation is recruiting for a seasonal Recreation Ranger to staff key sites in Windsor and Windham counties. Responsibilities will center around managing visitor's at site's with limited capacity and sensitive natural resources. Work will include both tasks to address immediate issues, and to prepare the department for future planning efforts.*



Essential functions:

- Visit site regularly, especially during periods of peak use such as weekends and holidays.
- Administer visitor surveys at select locations, collect data to be used in future planning efforts.
- Prepare and present programming on area geology, history, and ecology to create place-based relationships for users.
- Promote leave no trace principles and guidelines for responsible use.
- Promote safe user interaction with the site, highlight warning signs and hazards.
- Manage limited parking during peak times when parking capacity is exceeded.
- Provide guidance to other State sites when areas are full
- Perform maintenance as needed on access trails.
- Perform regular litter patrols.
- Limited desk work may be required to enter visitor use data and survey results.
- Possibility for additional forestry or recreation-based projects.

Desired Qualifications:

- At least 2 years of college level course work in the fields of: Parks, Recreation and Tourism, Forestry, Ecology, or other associated Natural Resource Fields.
- Outgoing with strong public communication skills and a desire to engage with the public.
- Independent and self-motivating. This position will function with little direct supervision. Successful candidate will be comfortable making in the moment decisions, but also recognize when supervisor input is necessary.
- Experience with ArcGIS
- Strong personal land ethic.

Required Qualifications

- Valid US Driver's license
- Ability to work during peak periods of use, including at least 10 hours on most weekends.
- Ability to work outside for up 8 hours at a time in all weather conditions.
- Ability to hike over varying and steep terrain both on and off trail.
- High school Diploma or GED



Two ways to apply:

Email resume and a brief cover letter

To: Brian.Renfro@Vermont.gov

Subject line: 'Recreation Ranger'

OR

Apply online through VT State Park Application Center

Apply at: <https://anrweb.vt.gov/FPR/ParkTemps/>

Select position title: '*Park Manger*'

Select park preference: '*Springfield Regional Office*'

Select other and add '*Recreation Ranger*' for how you heard about the position.

Applications due by: 2/27/2022

Direct Questions to: Brian Renfro, State Lands Forester

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