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TEMPORARY FIRE HIRE 2027

**Hiring Multiple Temporary Seasonal Wildland Fire
Management Positions
GW-03 through GW-05
(Lookouts GS-04 and GS-05)**

Outreach Announcement for Fire Positions PHASE 3 2027

The Lolo National Forest will soon begin filling temporary seasonal positions in fire management in PHASE 3 of the 2027 Temporary Fire Hire. The jobs listed below will be open in USAjobs.gov from *October 30th – November 12th, 2026*. Fire Hire is the Forest Service hiring process for fire positions. This process allows applicants to apply with a single application to multiple duty locations. Openings are available at the **GW-3, GW-4/GS-4, and GW-5/GS-5** levels. These are **TEMPORARY SEASONAL** positions with a maximum six-month tour (NTE 1039 hours). The anticipated start date is mid-April to early June 2027.

Forests may immediately backfill positions that become vacant in the process. Applicants are encouraged to apply for all positions and duty locations they are interested in even if they are not currently vacant.

Applicants are highly encouraged to reach out to the program contacts listed below to show interest. Be sure to indicate the duty stations at which you are interested in working and location negotiable if you are interested in many locations.

Lolo National Forest Program Contacts 2027

Contact	Program	Phone Number	E-Mail	Duty Location
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Cody Forgea	Lolo Interagency Hotshot Crew	406-829-7000	cody.forgea@usda.gov	Missoula, MT

Current Vacancies to be filled on the Lolo NF during Phase 1 Fire Hire:

Position	Grade	Vacancy Number
Entry-level Firefighter: This position is for wildland fire suppression/management/control, as a firefighter on an engine, hotshot, helitack or hand crew. Other wildland fire related duties might involve fire prevention, patrol, detection, or prescribed burning.	GW-0456-03	27-TEMPF3-R1-2PC033-3DH
Entry Level/Returning Firefighter: This position is for wildland fire suppression/management/control, as a firefighter on an engine, hotshot, helitack or hand crew. Other wildland fire related duties might involve fire prevention, patrol, detection, or prescribed burning.	GW-0456-04	27-TEMPF3-R1-2PC048-4DH
Returning Firefighter: This position is for wildland fire suppression/management/control, as a firefighter on an engine, hotshot, helitack or hand crew. This position is categorized as a Senior Fire Fighter (SFF) position. Other wildland fire related duties might involve fire prevention, patrol, detection, or prescribed burning.	GW-0456-05	27-TEMPF3-R1-2PC029-5DH
Hotshot/Handcrew: This position is located on a wildland fire crew. The purpose of the position is wildland fire suppression/management/control as a firefighter. Other wildland fire related duties might involve fire prevention, patrol, detection, or prescribed burning.	GW-0456-04	27-TEMPF3-R1-2PC049-4DH
Hotshot/Handcrew: This position is located on a wildland fire crew. The purpose of the position is wildland fire suppression/management/control as a specialized firefighter. This position is categorized as a Senior Fire Fighter (SFF) position. Other wildland fire related duties might involve fire prevention, patrol, detection, or prescribed burning.	GW-0456-05	27-TEMPF3-R1-2PC028-5DH
Fire Engine Operator: The position is located on a wildland fire engine crew. The purpose of the position is wildland fire suppression/management/control as a specialized firefighter with responsibility for the operation and maintenance of specialized tools or equipment.	GW-0456-05 (Engine)	27-TEMPF3-R1-2PC030-5DH

Helitack Crewmember: This position is categorized as a Helitack Senior Fire Fighter (SFF) position. Independently performs recurring fire suppression duties on a helitack crew as a senior firefighter.	GW-0456-05 (Helitack)	27-TEMPF3-R1-2PC027-5DH
Wildland Firefighter (Fuels Management): The position serves as a skilled member of a fuels management crew. Works independently or as a skilled member of a fuels management crew engaged in fuels management, including broadcast burning, hand and machine piling, helitorch, and other brush disposal techniques.	GW-0456-04 (Fuels)	27-TEMPF3-R1-2SC015-4DH
Wildland Firefighter (Fuels Management): The position serves as a skilled member of a fuels management crew. Collects and compiles resource data for long and medium range planning, treatment, and reporting of natural and created fuel hazard management program. Executes fuel treatment plans, slash hazard appraisals, and hazard reduction plans for slash creating projects or contracts.	GW-0456-05 (Fuels)	27-TEMPF3-R1-2SC016-5DH
Fire Dispatcher: This position serves as a Fire Dispatcher located in a dispatch center. This may be a single agency dispatch office or interagency dispatch center located in a fire management organization.	GW-0462-04 (Fire Dispatch)	27-TEMPF3-R1-FS0935-4DH
Fire Dispatcher: This position serves as a Fire Dispatcher located in a dispatch center. This may be a single agency dispatch office or interagency dispatch center located in a fire management organization.	GW-0462-05 (Fire Dispatch)	27-TEMPF3-R1-FS0936-5DH
Fire Lookout: This position is established on a Forest Service unit to provide for the detection and reporting of fires from a lookout station.	GS-0462-04 (Lookout)	27-TEMP3-R1-FS2856-4DH
Fire Lookout: This position is established on a Ranger District and serves as a Lookout coordinating information between two Interagency Dispatch Centers and oversees two communities. The purpose of the position is to provide fire detection services to district fire suppression personnel.	GS-0462-05 (Lookout)	27-TEMP3-R1-FS3451-5DH