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Superior National Forest



Forest Service PMFs get out of the cubicle and into the great outdoors!

Trail Construction
Sierra National Forest



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PMF's Tackle Climate Change!

"I serve as a Climate Change Coordinator for the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest. In this role, I help with employee education, work with a regional adaptation partnership, coordinate implementation of a restoration strategy, and partner with the 'Green Team' to reduce our forest offices' use of water, energy, and waste." - Rachel Lipsky

"I am working on reducing the environmental footprint of Region 6 by reducing water and energy consumption." - Katie Newcomb

"I am developing a climate change communication/employee education plan for the Tongass National Forest as a member of the Tongass Climate Change Team and I generated communications materials for the Climate Change Advisor's Office during a two month detail in Washington, DC." - Jenny Kane

"I'm synthesizing two years of climate-change research investment by the Forest Service for the Chief's congressional report. I'm also researching the ways that land management agencies (national and state level) are integrating science into their climate change adaptation strategies." - Amy Daniels

"I am working with the Chequamegon-Nicolet Climate Change Response Framework project team to develop a climate change vulnerability assessment for the forest, and am coordinating a science needs and applications workshop related to that project." - Leslie Brandt

"I collaborated with the Region 5 Climate Change Interdisciplinary Team (CCIDT) to assess the 'National Forest Carbon Inventory Scenarios for the Pacific Southwest Region' study." - Lara Polansky

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Presidential Management Fellows (PMFs) in Action!

What can you expect during your Presidential Management Fellowship with the USDA Forest Service?



Forest Service PMF Orientation 2013





Ginelle Heller

Natural Resource Specialist, Fire & Aviation Management, Atlanta Regional Office
MS Environmental Science & Master of Public Affairs (Indiana University)

I serve as the representative for the Southern Region's efforts on the National Cohesive Wildland Fire Management Strategy, a national effort to bring together stakeholders at all levels to address wildland fire issues in a collaborative manner.



Steven Beri

Trails Supervisor, Sierra National Forest
MS Ecology (The Pennsylvania State University)

As the Trails Supervisor I participate in NEPA, trail design, recon & construction. I supervise several crew members and ensure that safety, training, project goals and daily operations are achieved. I collaborate with USFS, various government agencies, and volunteers to enhance the trails system.



Lindsay Buchanan

Collaboration Specialist, Santa Fe National Forest
Master of Environmental Management (Yale School of Forestry)

As Collaboration Specialist for forest plan revision, I help design and implement communication and collaboration strategies to engage with members of the public, government agencies, tribes, and other groups who have a stake in the forest's management.



Meredith Hollowell

Information Management Analyst, Fire & Aviation Management, Washington Office
MA International Relations and International Economics (Johns Hopkins)

My most complex project to date has been working on creating an information management and task tracking system that enables FAM leadership and staff to manage the diverse projects and processes being conducted in the dynamic environment of wildland fire management.



Walita Kay Williams

Public Affairs Officers, Pacific Southwest Research Station
MS Communications (Grand Valley State University)

I work closely with the Communication Director to implement internal and external communication programs for the research station through strategic placement of messages for intended audiences.



Kristin Merony

Environmental Coordinator, Grand Mesa Uncompahgre and Gunnison National Forests
Master of Environmental Management (Yale School of Forestry)

I work on NEPA Coordination and Forest Planning. My jobs include leading interdisciplinary teams, landscape-scale project planning, interagency collaboration, vegetation and minerals environmental analyses, and administrative reviews.

Recent PMF Assignments:

- Recreation, Heritage, and Volunteer Resources (Washington, DC)
- Recreation Planner, Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest (MBS), Everett, WA
- Planning, Coconino National Forest (Flagstaff, AZ)
- Cooperative Forestry (Washington, DC)
- Planning, Southeast Region (Atlanta, GA)
- Environmental Coordinator, GMUG National Forests (Delta, CO)
- Volunteer Coordinator, National Forests in Florida (Tallahassee, FL)
- Program Analyst, Gifford Pinchot National Forest, Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument (Amboy, WA)
- Wildlife Biologist, Carson National Forest, Camino Real Ranger District (Taos, NM)
- Climate Change Specialist, Northern Research Station (Milwaukee, WI)
- Administrative Management Specialist, Civil Rights (Washington, DC)
- Partnerships Coordinator, Olympic National Forest, Hood Canal Ranger District (Quilcene, WA)
- Greater Yellowstone Coordinating Committee, Gallatin National Forest (Bozeman, MT)
- Collaboration Specialist, Santa Fe National Forest (Santa Fe, NM)

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