

# Gila National Forest

Gila National Forest , 3005 E. Camino del Bosque,  
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## OUTREACH NOTICE -

### Forest Rangeland Management Specialist GS-454-12

**PLEASE RESPOND BY January 23, 2009**  
**See reply information below**

Duty station is Silver City, New Mexico.

#### DESCRIPTION OF JOB DUTIES:

The Range Program Manager on the Gila National Forest is responsible for keeping track of and ensuring that all aspects of the livestock grazing program on the Forest are carried out in an orderly and professional manner and coordinated with Regional and National direction. The position is located in the Supervisor's Office and reports to the Resources/Planning Staff Officer.

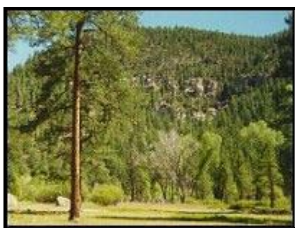


The position provides guidance, leadership, and oversight for a complex Range program. The Forest has a challenging workload in range administration, litigation and NEPA. The Range Program Manager provides expertise and leadership in: Forest, project, and allotment planning; range allotment NEPA; range permit administration; monitoring and target accomplishment; appeals and litigation, external coordination; rangeland improvement; databases, and all aspects of the range management program. The position serves as technical advisor to the Supervisor's Office and Ranger Districts in all facets of the Range Management program. The position has budget responsibilities Forest-wide and helps lead budget teams.

There is extensive coordination with other resource specialists on a variety of issues, and the position has close contact with the Forest Supervisor and Leadership Team, as well as being a key point of contact for the Regional Office and Ranger Districts.

If you would like additional information about this position, please contact: Ronnee-Sue Helzner, Resources/Planning Staff Officer, at (575) 388-8220.

#### GILA NATIONAL FOREST:



York Times travel section:

<http://travel.nytimes.com/2008/12/12/travel/escapes/12american.html>.

#### COMMUNITY:

SILVER CITY ([www.townofsilvercity.org](http://www.townofsilvercity.org)) and the surrounding communities of Bayard, Santa Clara, Tyrone and Hurley are located in southwest New Mexico.



Main access to Silver City is via Highway 180 north from Interstate 25 at Deming, NM. The elevation is 5,900 feet above sea level. Silver City boasts four gentle seasons. The average annual temperature is 54 degrees. May is the driest month of the year while July and August are the wettest. The annual average precipitation is 15.69 inches. The population of Silver City is approximately 13,000 and Grant County is about 29,000. Silver City has been written up in various newspapers. Downtown Silver City and features many locally-owned shops and galleries and has been designated as a state arts district.



The community has two libraries, churches of many denominations, a Regional hospital <http://www.grmc.org>, several medical clinics, ambulance service, an emergency care clinic, specialty physicians and dentists. Recreation facilities include baseball and soccer fields, all weather track, tennis courts, health and fitness clubs, an indoor and outdoor swimming pool, an 18-hole golf course, a bowling center and parks. Organized youth and adult sports activities are numerous. In the immediate vicinity are fishing, hunting, hiking, horseback riding, bicycling and camping. The main industries are tourism, mining, logging and ranching. The nearest commercial airports are in El Paso, TX (3 hours), Tucson, AZ (3 hours) and Albuquerque, NM (4 hours). Grant County airport also provides some services with Great Lakes Airlines ([www.greatlakesav.com](http://www.greatlakesav.com)).

Grant County has two public school districts, Silver Consolidated and Cobre Consolidated School Districts. There are also private schools and alternative schools. Western New Mexico University [www.wnmu.edu](http://www.wnmu.edu) offers four-year programs and two year technical programs in areas such as education, nursing, basic arts and sciences and several graduate programs.

Other area recreation facilities and attractions include: Western New Mexico University Museum <http://www.wnmu.edu/univ/museum.htm>, City of Rocks State Park, Historic Pinos Altos ([www.pinosaltos.org](http://www.pinosaltos.org)) and the 3.3 million acre Gila National Forest.



Special annual events include the Wild Wild West Pro Rodeo, Tour of the Gila Bicycle Race [www.tourofthegila.com](http://www.tourofthegila.com), Cowboy Poetry Gathering, San Vicente Artists' Fairs and Tours, Gila Bird and Nature Festival, Billy Casper Golf Classic, Annual Blues Festival, Christmas Lighted Parade, 4th of July Celebration, Weekend at the Galleries, Farmer's Market, Grant County Fair, Gem and Mineral Show, and several theatrical and musical presentations.

<http://www.silvercity.org>

**More community information:** Chamber of Commerce



Please respond with information on the following page....

Please provide the following information when responding to this outreach:  
Rangeland Management Specialist GS-454-12, GILA National Forest, Silver City, NM

Name:

Email Address:

Mailing Address:

Phone:

Current Agency/Forest or Employer:

Current Job Title, Series and Grade:

Degree(s) or how you meet the qualifications\*

Brief summary of past experience, federal and non-federal (do not exceed 6 typed lines; if desired, you may also provide a separate resume):

Send reply to: Ronnee-Sue Helzner [rhelzner@fs.fed.us](mailto:rhelzner@fs.fed.us) (or at: Gila National Forest, 3005 E. Camino del Bosque, Silver City, NM 88061 FAX 575-388-8204)

Basic Requirements for the GS-454 series:

- A. Degree: range management; or a related discipline that included at least 42 semester hours in a combination of the plant, animal, and soil sciences, and natural resources management, as follows:
- *Range Management*--At least 18 semester hours of course work in range management, including courses in such areas as basic principles of range management, range plants, range ecology, range inventories and studies, range improvements, and ranch or rangeland planning.
  - *Directly Related Plant, Animal, and Soil Sciences*--At least 15 semester hours of directly related courses in the plant, animal, and soil sciences, including at least one course in each of these three scientific areas, i.e., plant, animal, and soil sciences. Courses in such areas as plant taxonomy, plant physiology, plant ecology, animal nutrition, livestock production, and soil morphology or soil classification are acceptable.
  - *Related Resource Management Studies*--At least 9 semester hours of course work in related resource management subjects, including courses in such areas as wildlife management, watershed management, natural resource or agricultural economics, forestry, agronomy, forages, and outdoor recreation management.

OR

- B. Combination of education and experience--at least 42 semester hours of course work in the combination of plant, animal, and soil sciences and natural resources management shown in A above, plus appropriate experience or additional education.