# TRUCKEE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY • SEASONAL

DEFENSIBLE SPACE SPECIALIST

The Truckee Fire Protection District is accepting applications from qualified individuals for the position of Seasonal Defensible Space Specialist. The eligibility list established from this recruitment will be used to fill current and future vacancies. Multiple openings are available.

### **Background**

In September 2021 voters in the Truckee Fire Protection District passed a special property tax measure that has created an annual revenue source of about \$3.7 million dollars to fund a wildfire prevention program which will implement various new wildfire mitigation work in the Fire District. Go to Truckeefire.org for a more detailed Measure T plan.

#### The Position

Under general supervision of the Wildfire Prevention Manager, the Defensible Space Specialist(s) will perform a range of technical duties involving defensible space inspections, outreach and education, green waste and chipping programs, provide assistance & customer service to the general public, and other duties as assigned. This is a seasonal non-safety position that works a 40-hour work week. The District may allow a less than 40-hour work week on a case-by-case basis. Weekend and holiday work may occasionally be required in order to fully engage our ephemeral population.



## Posted:

January 17, 2024

# **Closing Date:**

Open Until Filled

Applications received after this date and time will not be eligible regardless of the postmark date of the application.

#### **Application Procedure:**

Interested candidates should fill out the online employment application available on our website at:

www.truckeefire.org/employment

All application materials will be evaluated and only the most highly qualified candidates will be invited to continue in the selection process.

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## **Appointment Period**

April 29, 2024 - October 25, 2024 Actual start and end dates will be dependent on weather and snow conditions.

# **Compensation**

\$23.34-29.79 per hour depending on experience, education, and qualifications. Overtime will be paid at time and a half for all qualifying hours.

#### **Benefits**

The successful candidate will be enrolled in the CalPERS retirement plan if they are members of CalPERS otherwise, they will be enrolled in the PARS retirement plan until they have worked 1000 hours within the fiscal year of July 1 – June 30 at which time they will be enrolled in CalPERS.

There are no insurance benefits such as medical, dental, or vision insurance, nor health reimbursement account contributions.

Seasonal employees will accrue sick leave per California law. There will be no other leave benefits such as vacation, holiday, or other forms of paid time off.

# **Our Mission**

The Truckee Fire Protection
District is committed to
providing the highest level of
public safety services to our
community. We protect the
lives, property and
environment of our residents
and visitors through fire
suppression, emergency
medical services, rescue and
fire prevention.

The Truckee Fire Protection
District is an
Equal Opportunity Employer.

#### **Selection Process**

The selection process may include any or all of the following:

- Application review
- Resume review
- Reference review
- Oral interview
  - Tentatively scheduled for the week of March 11, 2024

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### **Minimum Required Qualifications**

- 18 years of age or older
- High School diploma or GED
- Valid driver's license and proof of insurability
- Efficient in Microsoft Office 365, Word and Excel, with ability to learn other computer programs and tabletbased applications

#### **Desirable Qualifications**

- Possess good communication skills
- Must be comfortable interacting with the public
- Have the ability to acquire and learn new skills quickly
- Customer service experience
- Wildland firefighting experience
- Experience performing defensible space inspections
- Education with course work in forest management, fire science, natural resources, environmental science, or other related fields
- Comfortable utilizing modern technology including computers, smartphones, tablets and applications
- Familiar with California Public Resources Code 4291
- Understands private property rights and plain view
- Familiar with green waste disposal and chipping programs
- Ability to identify and name common grasses, shrubs, and trees & communicate their fire risks
- Familiar with Home Hardening and communicating retrofit options to property owners
- California State Fire Marshal Fire Inspector 1A-1D, 2A, 2B

## **Employment Contingent on**

- Background check
- Pre-employment medical and physical assessments
- Drug/alcohol screening





### Come join the team!

Contact admin@truckeefire.org with any questions.