



# TELLURIDE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

## JOB OPENING

<b>JOB TITLE:</b> Seasonal Wildland Firefighter/Part Time	<b>NUMBER OF VACANCIES:</b> Three (3)
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<b>HOURLY RANGE:</b> \$14.50 - \$18.50 Dependent on Qualifications	<b>HOURS WORKED:</b> 32 – 40 Hrs/week, Overtime As Needed, Assignment Dependent
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**APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED UNTIL APRIL 20, 2018**

Seasonal Position from May 1 – November 1

### **ESSENTIAL DUTIES:**

- Performs firefighting activities including driving fire apparatus, operating pumps and related equipment, laying hose, and performing fire suppression, containment and extinguishment tasks.
- Works under the general supervision of the Wildland Coordinator, Fire Engine Boss, and/or the Wildland Shift Coordinator. Under the direct command of the District Chief.
- Serves as a wildland firefighter on a wildland fire engine.
- Works both independently and as a crew to perform engine operational duties in the suppression of wildland fires and prescribed fires.
- Drives engines to fire locations while considering the safety of crew and equipment, and how the equipment can be best used for control and mop-up operations.
- Performs and may direct others in starting fire pump, priming pump, adjusting engine speed and pump valves, laying hose, and using appropriate nozzles and nozzle adjustment for effective use of water and additives.

- Has knowledge of maintaining specialized equipment used to respond to wildland urban interface situations.
- Qualified individuals may serve as Incident Commander on initial attack.
- May serve in a hand crew capacity to construct fire line with hand tools and power tools.
- Maintain fire equipment, apparatus, and facilities. Performs minor repairs to department equipment, apparatus, and equipment.
- Performs fuel reduction activities and/or other wildland fire mitigation projects.
- Excellent customer service skills, establishes and maintains effective working relationships with other employees, officials, and all members of the general public.
- Must maintain NWCG Wildland Red Card Certification.
- Attends classes in firefighting, emergency medical services, hazardous materials, technical rescue, wildland firefighting and related subjects.
- Receives and relays fire calls and alarms. Operates personal computer, radio and other communication equipment.
- Presents programs to the community on safety and fire prevention topics.
- Operates a motor vehicle to assist in carrying out the business of the Fire District.
- Attendance at work is an essential function of this position including, but not limited to, 14 plus day deployments outside of the region.
- Other duties as assigned by District Chief, Wildland Coordinator, or supervisors and administration.
- Duties listed above are intended only as illustrations of the various types of work that may be performed. The omission of specific statements of duties does not exclude them from the position if the work is similar, related or a logical assignment to the position.

#### **NON-ESSENTIAL DUTIES:**

- May assist to coordinate or instruct other department personnel, as assigned.
- The duties listed above are intended only as illustrations of the various types of work that may be performed. The omission of specific statements of duties does not exclude them from the position if the work is similar, related or a logical assignment to the position.

#### **TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT USED:**

- Wildland fire suppression equipment, wildland fire apparatus, chippers, chain saws, weed eaters, fire pumps, hoses and other standard equipment, radio, pager, personal computer, phone.

#### **PHYSICAL DEMANDS:**

- The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job.
  - ❖ While performing the duties of this job, the employee is frequently required to stand; walk; hike; use hands to finger, handle, or operate objects, tools, or controls; and reach with hands and arms. The
  - ❖ Employee is occasionally required to sit; climb or balance; stoop, kneel, crouch, or crawl; talk or hear; and taste or smell.

- ❖ The employee must frequently lift and/or move up to 10 pounds and occasionally lift and/or move up to 100 pounds, and occasionally drag up to 200 pounds. Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, distance vision, color vision, peripheral vision, depth perception, and the ability to adjust focus.

### **WORK ENVIRONMENT:**

- The work environment characteristics described here are representative of those an employee encounters while performing the essential functions of this job.
  - ❖ While performing the duties of this job, the employee regularly works in outside weather conditions. The employee occasionally works near moving mechanical parts, in high precarious places and is occasionally exposed to wet and/or humid conditions, heated environment, cold environment, fumes or airborne particles, toxic or caustic chemicals, risk of electrical shock, and vibration.
  - ❖ The noise level in the work environment is usually moderate, except during certain firefighting activities when noise levels may be loud.
  - ❖ This position is for 32 hrs/week unless assigned to an incident. More hours will be required on assignments, compensation will be based on DFPC pay rates, or approved pay range based on qualifications.

### **QUALIFICATIONS**

- This position is subject to the Telluride Fire Protection Districts Drug and Alcohol Testing Policy which includes, post-accident testing, reasonable suspicion testing, return to duty testing, and follow-up testing.
- All candidates may be required to:
  - ❖ Successfully pass firefighter entrance exam.
  - ❖ Successfully pass a series of interview panels.
  - ❖ Pass a background check.
  - ❖ Pass a pre-employment physical examination.
  - ❖ May be required to pass a pre-employment drug screen.
  - ❖ Be 18 years or older at the time of employment.
  - ❖ Have a valid High School Diploma or GED equivalent.
  - ❖ Possess a valid Colorado driver's license is preferred with acceptable driving record for the past three years.
  - ❖ Be able to read and write the English language.
  - ❖ Have a working knowledge of driver safety training.
  - ❖ Must pass the Work Capacity Test, arduous level: 3 mile walk with a 45 lb pack in less than 45:45.
  - ❖ Must be available 24/7 during the hired work period for in District and out of the area deployments.
  - ❖ Must meet the NWCG standard for Firefighter Type 2.
  - ❖ Have the ability to perform strenuous or peak physical effort during emergency, training or station maintenance for prolonged periods of time under extreme conditions (heights, heat, cold or smoke).

- ❖ Have the ability to act effectively in emergent and stressful situations.
- ❖ Have the ability to follow verbal and written instructions.
- ❖ Have the ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing.
- ❖ Have the ability to establish effective working relationships with employees, other agencies, and

## **APPLICATIONS:**

Applications are available from:

Telluride Fire Protection District  
131 W. Columbia Ave  
PO Box 1645  
Telluride, CO 81435  
(970) 728-3801

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Contact Wildland Fire Coordinator John Cheroske at (970) 729-2165 for additional information.