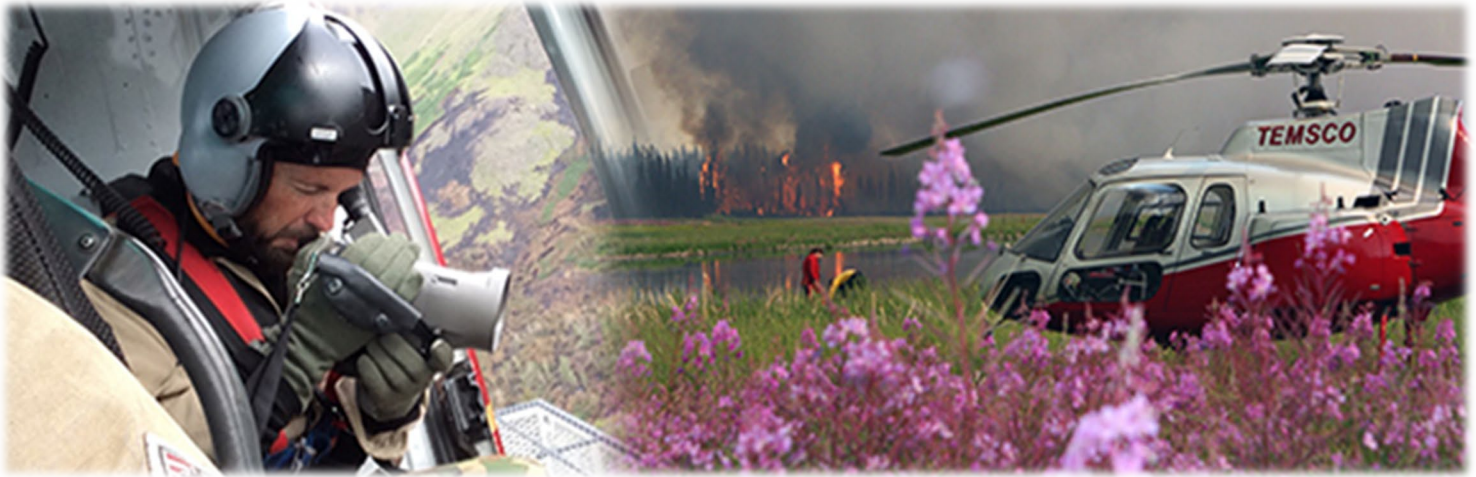




Bureau of Land Management Alaska Fire Service



SEE SOME OF THE MOST BEAUTIFUL SCENERY IN THE WORLD

Work a non-competitive temporary promotion or detail in one of the most unique wildland firefighting organizations in the country. BLM Alaska Fire Service is looking to fill multiple temporary promotion/details not to exceed 120 days for GS-8 and/or GS-9 helicopter managers to support the Galena, Tanana, and Upper Yukon Fire Management Zones located in Alaska.

The Alaska Fire Service (AFS) Zones' boundaries encompass some of the most diverse and stunning landscape in the world. Because its protection area is almost entirely roadless, AFS relies heavily upon aviation to support its fire program. While working for AFS, helicopter managers can expect to gain a wide variety of opportunities and a wealth of experience.

DIFFERENT LOCATIONS BELOW

Galena Zone

For most of the Alaska fire season, the one Galena Zone temporary promotion/detail position is based in the remote Yukon River village of Galena. At approximately 93.5 million acres, Galena is the largest BLM Fire Management Zone in the nation. It covers an area in Western Alaska from the North Slope south to the Yukon River, and from the west coast east to the border of the Tanana Zone. The zone operates a remote field station during the fire season. Facilities at the Galena field station include a dispatch center, housing and dining facilities, a maintenance shop, and a warehouse. Food and lodging are provided at the AFS barracks on Fort Wainwright and in Galena.



The position will manage the standard category Type 2 helicopter or will be the relief helicopter manager who will be expected to cover both zone helicopters as needed. The other zone helicopter being a Type 3 AS350BIII.

The desired start date for both temporary promotion/details is May 15. Contact Galena Zone AFMO Dustin Widmer for more information at dwidmer@blm.gov or (907)356-5623.

Tanana Zone

The Tanana Zone is looking to fill one GS-08 temporary promotion/detail position to manage their light Aerostar and medium Bell 212 helicopters based at Fort Wainwright, beginning May 15. The zone encompasses approximately 44.3 million acres in the northern middle section of Alaska in between the Galena and Upper Yukon Zones. Tanana Zone stretches from the North Slope south to Denali National Park and west of the Dalton Highway to the Colville and Koyukuk rivers. Missions are not restricted to these geographic boundaries, as the zones work closely with each other to coordinate aviation support when and where the needs arise.

The desired start date for the Tanana Zone temporary promotion/detail is May 15. Contact Tanana Zone AFMO Chris Wennogle for more information at cwennogle@blm.gov or (907)356-5570.

Upper Yukon Zone

The two temporary promotion/detail positions supporting the Upper Yukon Zone are based in Fort Wainwright. This zone encompasses approximately 51.9 million acres east of the Tanana Zone to the Canadian border and from the North Slope south to the White Mountains. During times of high fire activity in northeastern Alaska, the zone will staff a turn-key remote field station in Fort Yukon. When staffed, personnel at this field station coordinate movement of tactical and logistics resources for this area in conjunction with zone personnel operating at the AFS facilities in Fort Wainwright. Food and lodging are provided at the AFS barracks and dining hall. The Upper Yukon Zone managers are based out of Ft Wainwright but depending on the fire situation, both managers could be expected to base out of Fort Yukon.

One temporary promotion/detail position will manage a Type 2 helicopter a Bell 212HP and the other position is the relief helicopter manager who will be expected to cover both zone helicopters as needed. The other zone helicopter being a AS350BIII.

The desired start date for the Upper Yukon temporary promotion/ detail is May 15. Contact Upper Yukon Zone AFMO Kip Shields for more information at kshields@blm.gov or (907)356-5550.

Requirements

To qualify for the **GS-9** applicants must meet Red Book standards for Fire Helicopter Crew Supervisor, IFPM quals: ICT4, HMGB, HEBM and have a prior season as an Assistant Fire Helicopter Crew Supervisor.

To qualify for the **GS-8** applicants must meet Red Book Standards for Assistant Helicopter Crew Supervisor, IFPM quals: ICT4, HMGB, HEBM-T and ICS-200, S-215, S-219, S-260 and S-270, and have a prior season as a Fire helicopter squad boss.

The closing date for consideration for the noncompetitive temporary promotions or details NTE 120 days will be March 15. Don't miss out on this opportunity to broaden your horizons both figurately and literally.

If interested in being considered for these non-competitive temporary promotions or details, please send an email to the AFMO for the zone you are interested in.

Galena Zone: Dustin Widmer at dwidmer@blm.gov or (907)356-5623.

Tanana Zone: Chris Wennogle at cwennogle@blm.gov or (907)356-5570.

Upper Yukon: Kip Shields at kshields@blm.gov or (907)356-5550.

