



KIOWA TRIBE JOB OPPORTUNITY

The Kiowa Tribe of Oklahoma will be accepting applications for the following position.

Position Title: Lead Wildland Firefighter	Department: Natural Resources Department
Opening date: 11/08/24	Closing date: 11/27/24
# of vacancies: 1 Part-time	Location: 33165 County Street 2740 Verden, OK

POSITION DETAILS:

Status: Full-time	Reports to: Natural Resources Department
Classification: Non-Exempt	Salary Range: \$15.00 per hour - \$17.00 per hour
Division: Tribal Operations	

JOB SUMMARY: The Kiowa Tribe's Natural Resource Department is seeking a highly skilled and experienced Lead Wildland Firefighter to manage and lead a wildland fire module or crew. The Lead Wildland Firefighter will play a critical role in fire management activities, including fire preparedness, fuels management, fire suppression, monitoring, post-fire activities, and emergency response. This position will involve working in a variety of environments, from grasslands to forested areas, and requires a strong understanding of firefighter safety, fire behavior, and topography.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Lead a team of three or more wildland firefighters, providing guidance, mentorship, and on-the-job training.
- Oversee fire management activities, ensuring that work assignments are carried out effectively and safely.
- Coordinate with supervisors and other fire management personnel to plan and execute fire suppression and fuels management strategies.
- Direct fire suppression operations, including building fire lines, patrolling for spot fires, and managing post-fire clean-up.
- Utilize knowledge of fire behavior, weather, and topography to make informed decisions on fire management tactics.
- Operate and maintain vehicles and specialized equipment, ensuring their readiness for deployment in various terrains.
- Ensure that all crew members and equipment are prepared and ready for fire assignments, including conducting regular maintenance checks.
- Develop and implement physical training programs to maintain crew readiness.
- Participate in the development and implementation of training programs for crew members.
- Lead fuels management projects, including prescribed fire and mechanical treatments, to reduce wildfire risks.
- Engage with the community to promote fire prevention awareness through educational events and public outreach.
- Gather and analyze data related to fire behavior, fuels, and fire effects to inform future fire management strategies.
- Extensive experience in wildland fire management, including leading fire suppression efforts and managing fire crews.

HOW TO APPLY: Complete an employment application which is available online at: kiowatribe.org/job-opportunities.

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- Strong understanding of fire behavior, firefighter safety, and the topography of the Kiowa Tribe's lands.
- Proficiency in operating and maintaining fire management equipment, including fire engines, portable pumps, and communication devices.
- Ability to work in challenging environments, including steep terrain, high temperatures, and smoky conditions.
- Physical fitness to meet the demands of wildland firefighting, including passing the required work capacity test.
- Valid state driver's license; commercial driver's license (CDL) may be required.
- Knowledge of Kiowa Tribe lands and cultural practices is highly preferred.

QUALIFICATIONS: Must possess a High School diploma or GED equivalent. Must possess a minimum of six (6) months of clerical, administrative and/or office setting work experience.

REQUIREMENTS: Must possess a valid driver's license and be insurable under the Kiowa Tribe's motor vehicle insurance. Must be willing to submit to and pass a background investigation which displays a good moral character. Must be willing to submit to and pass drug testing.

- Prior experience in leading fire suppression efforts, managing fire crews, and executing fire management tactics is essential.
- Proficiency in operating and maintaining fire management equipment such as fire engines, portable pumps, and communication devices.
- Ability to pass the required physical fitness test to ensure readiness for the physical demands of wildland firefighting.
- Valid Driver's License: A standard state driver's license is required, with a **Commercial Driver's License (CDL)** preferred or required for certain equipment.
- Ability to gather, analyze, and interpret data related to fire behavior, fuels, and fire effects to support informed fire management strategies.

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