

OHV Recreation Patroller—Kemmerer

Seasonal Position | In partnership with Friends of the Bridger-Teton & Bridger-Teton National Forest

Employer: Friends of the Bridger-Teton (FBT)

Partner Agency: U.S. Forest Service (Bridger-Teton National Forest)

Reports To: Project Manager (Friends of the Bridger-Teton) and USFS Supervisor

Seasonal Term: June–October 2026 (pending final approval from the State of Wyoming)

Location: Kemmerer Ranger District – Ham's Fork, LaBarge Creek, Fontenelle Creek, Smith's Fork

Work Schedule: 30–40 hours per week, primarily scheduled Wednesday–Sunday or Wednesday–Monday, including holidays, with additional weekday shifts during high-use periods as approved.

Compensation: \$19.52/hr (GS5) plus mileage reimbursement (when using a personal vehicle)

Benefits: Paid holidays, paid time off (PTO) accrual, and access to medical, dental, and vision insurance; limited USFS housing may be available for non-local staff (not guaranteed).

About the Role

Friends of the Bridger-Teton (FBT), in partnership with the Wyoming State Trails Program and the U.S. Forest Service (USFS), is seeking seasonal OHV Recreation Patrollers for the 2026 summer recreation season. These positions are funded through the Wyoming State Trails OHV Partnership Grant Program and are contingent upon final grant approval.

OHV Recreation Patrollers serve as public-facing stewards of responsible off-highway vehicle (OHV) use on the Bridger-Teton National Forest. This is a non-enforcement position focused on education, outreach, data collection, and light trail maintenance. Patrollers work closely with USFS staff while remaining employees of Friends of the Bridger-Teton and help supplement Forest Service capacity during peak summer OHV use.

Key Responsibilities

Public Outreach & Education

- Engage directly with OHV users (ATV, UTV/side-by-side, and off-road motorcycle riders) at trailheads and along designated routes.

- Provide education on responsible OHV use, trail etiquette, Wyoming OHV registration and user fee requirements.
- Share information on Leave No Trace principles, resource protection, route designation, travel management rules, and seasonal closures.
- Communicate trail conditions, weather considerations, and general safety messaging.
- Distribute educational materials provided by the Wyoming State Trails Program and project partners.

Data Collection & Reporting

- Document required user contacts, including number of contacts, registration and user fee compliance observations, and general use patterns.
- Complete and submit monthly contact reports, mileage logs, and end-of-season summaries in accordance with State Trails Program requirements.

Trail Stewardship & Light Maintenance

- Assist with light trail maintenance activities consistent with grant guidelines.
- Check, install, or maintain trail signage and route markers.
- Clear small debris or obstructions from OHV routes as appropriate.
- Assist with educational displays at trailheads.
- Report observed trail issues, resource damage, or safety concerns to USFS staff and FBT supervisors.

Coordination & Representation

- Serve as an informational liaison between the recreating public, Friends of the Bridger-Teton, the U.S. Forest Service, and the Wyoming State Trails Program.
- Work collaboratively with USFS staff operating under Trail Ranger grants when present.
- Represent Friends of the Bridger-Teton and project partners professionally, fostering positive and inclusive interactions with diverse recreation users.

Work Locations

OHV Recreation Patrollers will be assigned to high-use OHV trailheads and routes across the Kemmerer Ranger District within the Bridger-Teton National Forest. Assignments may rotate to ensure coverage during periods of high recreational use.

- Ham's Fork
 - LaBarge Creek
 - Fontenelle Creek
 - Smith's Fork
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Preferred Qualifications

Required

- Must be 18 years of age or older
- Strong interpersonal and communication skills with comfort engaging the public in outdoor settings
- Experience with or strong familiarity with OHV recreation (ATV and UTV, or similar motorized use)
- Ability to work independently and responsibly in remote outdoor environments
- Ability to work outdoors for extended periods in variable summer weather conditions
- Valid driver's license and reliable transportation suitable for forest roads
- Willingness to travel within assigned ranger districts and complete required documentation

Preferred

- Familiarity with Bridger-Teton National Forest recreation areas and travel management rules
- Background in outdoor education, interpretation, recreation management, or stewardship programs
- First Aid/CPR certification
- ATV/UTV certification
- Sawyer certification
- Prior experience working with public lands agencies or nonprofit conservation organizations
- Comfort using electronic reporting systems

Working Conditions

- Primarily outdoor work in forest and backcountry environments
- Exposure to heat, sun, dust, wind, insects, and uneven terrain
- Work is typically performed independently or in pairs
- Weekend and holiday work is required to align with peak OHV use
- Extended periods of seated driving on rough or remote roads

Compensation & Benefits

- Hourly wage of \$19.52 (GS5)
- Mileage reimbursement at the State Trails Program approved rate when using a personal vehicle
- Paid holidays

- Paid Time Off (PTO) accrual
- Access to medical, dental, and vision insurance
- Limited housing options may be available through the U.S. Forest Service for non-local staff (not guaranteed)

Professional & Experiential Benefits

- Hands-on training and skill development related to OHV safety, visitor engagement, and resource protection
 - Practical experience in recreation management and environmental education
 - Professional networking and exposure to potential career pathways in federal land management
 - Opportunity to be part of a collaborative team dedicated to stewarding a unique natural resource
 - Meaningful community contribution while working in a spectacular outdoor setting
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Employment Structure

- OHV Recreation Patrollers are employees of Friends of the Bridger-Teton
- Daily work activities are coordinated in conjunction with U.S. Forest Service staff
- Position duties and eligible expenses are governed by the Wyoming State Trails OHV Partnership Grant Program

Application Process

To apply, please submit the following materials to employment@btfriends.org in an email with the subject line OHV Recreation Patroller Application:

- Resume highlighting relevant outdoor, motorized recreation, or public engagement experience
- Brief cover letter expressing interest and availability for the 2026 summer OHV season
- Three professional or volunteer references

Applications will be accepted until positions are filled. Employment is contingent upon final grant approval and completion of any required onboarding steps.

About Friends of the Bridger-Teton

Friends of the Bridger-Teton (FBT) is a nonprofit partner supporting stewardship, education, and responsible recreation on the Bridger-Teton National Forest. Through partnerships with the U.S. Forest Service and the Wyoming State Trails Program, FBT works to protect access, promote sustainable recreation, and enhance visitor experiences across the forest.