

# **SIUSLAW VALLEY FIRE & RESCUE EMPLOYMENT ANNOUNCEMENT**

## **ONE IMMEDIATE OPENING FOR A FIREFIGHTER / PARAMEDIC**

Date posted: January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022  
Salary: Current Range DOE \$60,804-\$68,925 with comprehensive benefit package. The wage range may change following current labor negotiations.  
Closing Date: February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

Representation: Our full-time employees are represented by IAFF Local 851

Siuslaw Valley Fire & Rescue, with headquarters in Florence, Oregon, is announcing an opening for one Full Time Firefighter / Paramedic position. The ideal candidate will have current certifications as a Firefighter and Paramedic with experience working in a similar or larger system. The candidate selected will be expected to rotate between staffing an ALS transport ambulance and an ALS fire engine. An eligibility list will be established following the testing process and this list may remain active, at the discretion of the Authority, for a maximum of two (2) years and may be used to fill future vacancies. Firefighter / Paramedic candidates not selected for the current opening may be considered for part-time employment with the District.

Siuslaw Valley Fire & Rescue and the Western Lane Ambulance District combined administrative offices in 2019 within Western Lane Fire and EMS Authority (WLFEA) and will be moving all Operations personnel to the Authority on July 1, 2022. WLFEA provides Fire Suppression services as Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue to approximately 100 square miles and ALS transport services as Western Lane Ambulance District to approximately 560 sq miles in western Lane County. Combined the agencies run an average of 4,500 calls annually. Our area of coverage includes 20,000 permanent residents within the City of Florence and Dunes City along the Oregon Coast and inland rural areas of unincorporated Lane County. The area typically sees an influx of 200,000 additional people during the summer months.

The Central Oregon Coast and adjacent inland area is very attractive for active residents and visitors with the average age of our residents over 60 years. Florence is home to Peace Harbor Hospital, a Level 3 trauma center. Call types can be very diverse ranging from high acuity trauma resulting from ATV accidents in the Oregon Dunes National Recreation Area, to wildland / urban interface fires, and technical rope and water rescues.

Our current full-time employees work a 48 hours on / 96 hours off schedule and are assigned to one of three shifts. Part Time shifts are 24 hours.

## **MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS**

- Valid Oregon Driver's license or ability to obtain within six months of hire
- Valid Oregon or National Registry Paramedic certification. Candidate must have reciprocity with the State of Oregon established prior to hire date.
- NFPA Firefighter 1 or higher
- NFPA Hazardous Materials Operations or higher
- Current Healthcare Professional CPR
- Current ACLS (Advanced cardiac life support)
- Current PALS (Pediatric advanced life support)

## **PREFERRED EDUCATION/EXPERIENCE**

- Associate Degree in Applied Science in EMS or related field
- Recent experience working on an ALS ambulance within a Fire department in a similar geographic area

Applications can be filled out online or printed at: [www.svfr.org](http://www.svfr.org) . Candidates who meet the minimum requirements will be expected to take the FireTeam written exam hosted by the National Testing Network (NTN). Various options to take the exam are in place through NTN and all information is posted on their website ( <https://www.nationaltestingnetwork.com/publicsafetyjobs/index.cfm> ). First review of applications will occur on February 14<sup>th</sup> with the top candidates invited to undergo a physical agility test on February 18<sup>th</sup> with an oral interview and practical testing on February 22<sup>nd</sup>. Up to three candidates will be invited to a Chief's interview on February 25<sup>th</sup> and a conditional offer is anticipated to be made on or around March 1<sup>st</sup>. Following successful completion of psychological, medical, and background checks we anticipate a starting date of April 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Copies of all required license and certificates listed above (*requested documents only*) must be received by 4:00pm on the recruitment closing date shown above. Certificates may be submitted in person, by mail, or by email and must be easily readable in order to be considered for this recruitment. Faxes will not be accepted. To submit documents by email, PDF copies should be sent with a cover sheet to [mary@wlfea.org](mailto:mary@wlfea.org).**