



CORTEZ FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Position Opening Announcement

Fire Chief

The Cortez Fire Protection District (“Fire District”) is seeking qualified and motivated applicants for the position of full-time Fire Chief to lead a progressive, value-based, fire protection district in Southwest Colorado.

The Fire Chief is the highest ranking officer within the Fire District and is responsible for the overall administration and operations of the District. The Fire Chief reports directly to a five member, elected Board of Directors. The Fire Chief Job Description, which the Board may amend at any time in its sole discretion, describes the authority, duties, and qualifications for the position. A copy of the Fire Chief Job Description is attached. The Fire Chief must be diversified in coping with various demands while maintaining a dedication to teamwork, responsive leadership, and community service.

The District currently has 12 full time and 14 part time firefighters who respond from a single, soon to be newly constructed, central fire station, and 2 outlying ‘volunteer’ stations. The District is located in the south west corner of Colorado, and covers approximately 164 square miles. The District provides response services to the City of Cortez, local schools, numerous residential properties surrounding the City; as well several large scale agricultural operations and numerous commercial occupancies. The Fire District currently provides fire suppression, rescue, basic hazardous materials and first responder emergency medical support services.

Starting Salary: \$70,000 to \$75,000 (depending on qualifications and experience) and a comprehensive benefit package including: FPPA defined benefit pension; health, dental, and vision insurance; life insurance; paid holidays; vacation and sick leave.

Applicants must submit a letter of intent, a complete resume, copies of certifications / degrees, a current email address and phone number. Letters must be received on or before February 28, 2018.

Mail required documents to: Cortez Fire Protection District
31 W. Main Street
Cortez, Colorado 81321

Applications received after February 28, 2018 will not be considered.

The Fire District has the right not to hire any of the applicants for the position, or to modify or terminate the hiring process at any time, in its sole discretion. Applicants are solely responsible for all costs incurred in connection with the application and selection process. Qualified individuals with disabilities may request reasonable accommodation for an examination at least three business days before the examination. (Attachment: Fire Chief Job Description)