YOCHA DEHE WINTUN NATION

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CACHE CREEK CASINO RESORT

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FIRE DEPARTMENT

Yocha Dehe Fire Department is the product of the 2002 Intergovernmental Agreement between the Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation and Yolo County to provide fire suppression and emergency medical aid services to the Tribe’s trust lands in the Capay Valley. Furthermore, the department has several mutual and automatic aid agreements with other Yolo County fire departments and participates in the State’s Intergovernmental Agreement. The Tribe’s vision far exceeded the requirements called for in the intergovernmental agreement. In January 2004, the Tribe directed the Fire Chief and staff to organize a highly qualified fire department not only capable of delivering traditional emergency services, but also ALS Level Paramedic Emergency Medical Services.

The department received international recognition by becoming the first Native American fire department to receive accreditation from the Commission on Fire Accreditation International in August, 2010 and again in 2015. The department currently has 36 personnel, a fire chief, assistant fire chief, administration and preparedness manager, fire mechanic, fire inspector, administrative assistant, three line battalion chiefs, six fire captains, six fire engineers/paramedics, nine firefighter/paramedics and three firefighters/EMT’s. The three platoons work a 56-hour work week: 48 hours on and 96 hours off.

The department has two Type I Engines, two Type III four-wheel drive Engines, one Rescue vehicle, one Type IV Brush, three command vehicles, three ATV’s, and a Technical Rescue Trailer. The department provides on-site emergency services to the Cache Creek Casino Resort and the Tribal Community. The department also responds off-site to mutual and automatic aid requests throughout the Capay Valley and Yolo County. Furthermore, the department participates in the State of California mutual aid system through the Office of Emergency Services and the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

THE POSITION

Currently, there are three vacant positions. An eligibility list will be established to fill subsequent vacancies. There are no residency requirements; however, employees are encouraged to maintain a residence within 90 minutes driving time to the station.

Yocha Dehe Fire Department provides the only fire service-based paramedic service in Yolo County. Firefighters perform fire suppression, emergency medical care, technical rescue, fire prevention and other activities that support the protection of life, property, and the environment.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Education

- High School graduate or equivalent is required.
- Successful completion of California State Fire Training & Education Firefighter I curriculum is required.
- College level course work in Fire Science is desirable.

Experience

- Related experience is desirable, but not required.

License and Certificate Requirements

- Paramedic License: current and valid
- California Class C Driver’s License: Must have a satisfactory driving record. Must possess and maintain during course of employment.
- CPAT CERT: Candidates must provide a current CPAT certificate (within the past 12 months) prior to participating in an interview. CPAT information may be obtained online or by phone.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- Yolo County Emergency Medical Services Authority Paramedic Certification/Accreditation: following offer of employment.
- Incumbents must obtain a Class C with Firefighter endorsement or better driver’s license with air brake and tank endorsement as a condition of passing probation. Probation requirement is one year.

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

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Certificate Requirements

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BENEFITS

▪ Employees participate in Social Security.
▪ A Defined Benefit Plan (retirement) is offered at 2.7% @ 57 benefit formula.
▪ Educational and longevity incentives.
▪ Deferred Compensation: "401(k)" Program is available.
▪ Health Plan: Premiums paid by Employer.
▪ Dental and Vision Coverage: Premiums paid by Employer.
▪ Life Insurance: amount equal to three times the employee’s annual salary.
▪ Vacation Accrual: 14 Hours per Month.
▪ Sick Leave: 11.2 Hours per Month.
▪ Holiday Pay: Approximately 12 Hours Monthly.
▪ Long Term Disability Plan: Employer Paid.
▪ Tuition Reimbursement: $750/year maximum.
▪ Uniforms provided by the department.

TENTATIVE RECRUITMENT SCHEDULE

▪ Final filing date for applications: March 29, 2020
▪ Oral Interviews/Paramedic Skills Test Date: Tentatively scheduled for the week of April 13, 2020.

SELECTION PROCEDURE

The most qualified candidates will be determined by a selection committee. Qualified candidates will be invited to participate in a practical paramedic exam and oral interview. An eligibility list will be developed based on the results of these tests.

APPLICATION PROCESS

For questions or to submit your required materials (listed below), email recruitment@yochadehensn.gov.

REQUIRED MATERIALS

▪ YDWN Employment Application
▪ Cover Letter and Resume
▪ Paramedic License
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▪ CPAT Card (within 12 months)
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▪ Other Certifications

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