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DUTY STATIONS

ALCOVA, WY is located approximately 33 miles southwest of Casper, WY via State highway maintained year round. Housing is available in the immediate area. Housing in Casper is plentiful for both purchase and rental. Public school through the sixth grade is held at Alcova. Junior high and senior high school students are bused to Casper. Outdoor recreational opportunities abound in the area with big game hunting, fishing, camping, and boating facilities immediately. There is no state income tax.

AUSTIN, TX (pop. 482,000) is centrally located (elev. 425) and is east of the Pecos River and is headquarters for the Oklahoma-Texas Area Office. Adequate schools, including University of Texas, churches, shopping, and medical facilities exist. Outdoor recreation opportunities abound with big game hunting, fishing, camping, boating, & water skiing facilities immediately available. No state income tax is levied. Housing for purchase or rent is abundant.

BILLINGS, MT (pop. 133,000) is located in south central Montana (elev. 3,126) and houses the Regional Office & Montana Area Office, with excellent medical facilities, and schools (i.e. 1 four-year college and 1 four-year university), transportation facilities, and churches. Rentals & houses for sale are available. This area has average summers and winters for the Rocky Mountain Region. Outdoor recreational opportunities are abundant with hunting, fishing, water sports & skiing. Montana has a state income tax, but no sales tax.

BISMARCK, ND - Come prepared to lead a well-rounded life in the Bismarck community, which combines the best of rural and urban living. The basic elements for a happy life - clean living, breathtaking seasons, true friendship and family homes are still found here. Bismarck (population 55,000) has a large civic center, airport, two large medical centers (boasts the largest medical facilities between Minneapolis and the west coast), trade and transportation hub, excellent elementary and secondary schools, a four-year university, a two-year state college, an school of nursing, extended education opportunities, churches of most denominations, five local golf courses, over 30 local parks, a zoo, and numerous prize hunting and fishing locales. The January average high temperature is 20.6 degrees and the July average is 84.7 degrees with an annual average of 15.48 inches of precipitation. Unemployment rate is only 1.8%. North Dakota has a State income tax and a 5% sales tax. The statistics are certainly impressive: low crime, clear skies, clean water, an excellent education system, and abundant business opportunities. It all adds up to something that’s harder to quantify, but easy to describe: the high quality of life enjoyed! We invite you to apply for a position where you can experience Bismarck for yourself.
BOYSEN POWERPLANT (Thermopolis, WY) is located at the beginning of the Wind River Canyon approximately 18 miles south of Thermopolis. There is no housing available at Boysen, but there is adequate housing available in Thermopolis. Thermopolis also has adequate medical and shopping facilities, schools through high school, hospital and churches of most denominations. Thermopolis is the center of the Hot Springs State Park. There is no state income tax levied.

CAMP 9 is located about 10 miles NE of Babb, MT, which has a grade school to 6th grade, a grocery store, motel, café, & church. High schools are in Browning (50 miles away), or Cardston, Alberta, Canada (30 miles away). There is a 15- to 20-mile drive to meet the school bus. There are fair shopping facilities in Browning. The summer season is short. Camp 9 is very remote and isolated and may be snowed in for several days at a time. Mail is delivered to Babb 2-3 times a week. No Government housing. MT has a State income tax, but no sales tax.

CANYON FERRY DAM AND POWERPLANT (Helena, MT, pop. 40,000) is located adjacent to the 25 mile long Canyon Ferry Reservoir, providing excellent opportunities for fishing, boating, and water sports. Housing is available in Helena which is approximately 17 miles away. Helena has modern medical facilities, an excellent school system, college, churches of most denominations, and shopping facilities. Montana has a state income tax, but no sales tax.

CHESTER, MT is about 40 miles E of Shelby, 60 miles W of Havre, and 100 miles N of Great Falls, MT. Chester, MT (pop. 750) has shopping facilities average for a town of that size. There are good schools through high school, several churches, one hospital, two doctors, & one dentist in Chester. Full facilities are available in other towns in the area. No Government housing. MT has a State income tax, but no sales tax.

CODY, WY (pop. 8,000) is located in the northwest corner of Wyoming, 52 miles from Yellowstone National Park. There are adequate shopping and medical/dental facilities including a hospital, and churches of most denominations. There are excellent schools available through high school. Property is available for purchase or rental, but it should be noted that Cody experiences a higher than normal average cost of living when compared to most other Wyoming communities. Cody offers excellent recreational opportunities. There is no state income tax levied.

DILLON, MT (pop. 5,000) is in the mountainous region of western Montana. Adequate housing is available for purchase, no Government housing, and rentals are expensive. There are adequate shopping facilities, good schools, & churches of most denominations, several doctors & a small hospital. Bus service is available. Rail & air service is available in Butte (60 miles away). Winters are cold with considerable snow & summers are warm. Excellent hunting, fishing, boating, and winter sports. MT has a State income tax.

ESTES PARK, CO (pop. 2,000) is located in beautiful mountain country adjacent to Rocky Mountain National Park. It is a resort town with housing readily available during the winter months, but difficult to obtain in the summer. There is no government housing available. There are excellent recreational facilities, shopping, adequate schools, & a small hospital.
FLATIRON RESERVOIR is 12 miles southwest of LOVELAND, CO (pop. 60,000). Loveland is located 50 miles north of DENVER and 10 miles south of FT. COLLINS. There is adequate shopping in the immediate area, schools (including two universities within 15 miles), churches of many denominations, a modern hospital, recreational facilities, golf courses, and many clubs and organizations. Government housing is not available, but housing is available for purchase or rent.

FLATIRON POWERPLANT (near Loveland, CO) is 12 miles southwest of Loveland, CO (pop. 50,000). Loveland is located 50 miles north of Denver and 50 miles south of Cheyenne, Wyoming. There is adequate shopping in the immediate area, schools, churches of many denominations, a modern hospital, recreational facilities, golf courses, and many clubs and organizations. Government housing is not available, but housing is available for purchase or rent.

FRESNO DAM is located approximately 15 miles west of Havre, MT (pop. 14,000). There are adequate schools, churches, & shopping facilities in Havre. There is a 4-year university in Havre, golf course, rail service, hospital and medical facilities, and the Bear Paw Ski area. Nearby is Beaver Creek Park, the largest county park in the nation, making it a popular recreation area. Havre has a relatively dry climate with cold winters and not much rainfall. Montana has a state income tax, but no sales tax.

GLENDO POWERPLANT is located on an all-weather road approximately 6 miles from the town of Glendo, WY. Private housing in Glendo is limited, but there is space available for building or placing trailers. Glendo has a public school through Grade 12. Douglas, WY, located 25 miles northwest, offers adequate housing, shopping, and medical facilities. Recreational opportunities include hunting, fishing, camping and boating. There is no state income tax.

GLEN ELDER, KS (population 450) is located 12 miles west of Beloit, Kansas, and is about 35 miles from the Nebraska-Kansas border. Beloit, population 4000, has adequate schools, churches, a hospital, and shopping facilities. A grade school is located in Glen Elder, with the high school located in Cawker City, population 590, two miles west of Glen Elder. Hunting and fishing are excellent in this area.

GREEN MOUNTAIN DAM and POWERPLANT is 17 miles south of Kremmling, CO. Schools, shopping, churches and hospital facilities are available in Kremmling. It is 21 miles north of Silverthorne/Dillon, CO which is within minutes of world-class skiing, mountain biking, golfing, hiking, and fishing, area restaurants, shopping and theaters. The Powerplant is at an altitude of 7700 feet. Winters can be severe with heavy snowfall but roads are quickly cleared and days are usually sunny. Summer weather is pleasant. Excellent boating, fishing, hiking, hunting and skiing.

GUERNSEY, WY, has a population of about 1,000. Available facilities include churches of several denominations and schools through high school. Only grocery shopping is available, but Torrington, WY is about 32 miles east and offers adequate shopping facilities. Wheatland, WY
is about 30 miles southeast and offers shopping similar to Torrington. There is no state income tax.

HAVRE, MT (pop. 14,000) is located in north central Montana near Beaver Creek Park, the largest county park in the nation. Rental property is scarce; however, houses are available for purchase. There are adequate schools, churches and shopping facilities in Havre. The climate is relatively dry with plenty of snow in the winter. Montana has a State income tax, but there is not a sales tax.

HORSETOOTH FIELD OFFICE located about 10 miles from Ft. Collins, CO (pop. 115,000) is nestled against the foothills of the Rocky Mountains, 65 miles north of Denver. For further information go to www.fschamber.org

LEADVILLE, CO (pop. 3,000) has an elevation of 10,000 ft. and is located 100 miles southwest of Denver, CO, and 35 miles north of Buena Vista (pop. 3,000). Leadville is a small Mountain community that has snow on the ground from mid-October to mid-May. A national historic mining town brings numerous summer tourists. Rentals and houses for sale, adequate schools and a branch of Colorado Mountain College are available. Excellent recreation and ski areas (Vail, Keystone, Copper Mt. and Breckenridge).

LOVELAND, CO (pop. 50,000) is located 50 miles north of Denver and 50 miles south of Cheyenne, Wyoming. There is adequate shopping in the immediate area, schools, churches of many denominations, a modern hospital, recreational facilities, golf courses, and many clubs and organizations. Government housing is not available, but housing is available for purchase or rent.

MCCOOK, NE (pop. 8,200) is located in southwestern Nebraska, elevation 2506 feet. The climate is semiarid. Adequate schools and one community college, one hospital, various churches and shopping facilities are available. There is no government housing, but rental units can be obtained and housing is available for purchase.

MEREDITH FIELD OFFICE (Meredith, CO) is located 50 miles northeast of Aspen (skiing, snowboarding, snowshoeing, dog sledding, ice skating in the winter and beautiful trails for hiking and biking in the summer), 50 miles southwest of Glenwood Springs (home of the world’s largest Jacuzzi, Hot Springs Pool, cave tours and subterranean grottos), and 25 miles east of Basalt (shops, galleries, restaurants). All communities offer schools, churches and shopping facilities. Housing and rentals are limited and expensive. The elevation at Meredith is about 8,000 feet and recreation includes hunting, fishing, skiing, and other outdoor activities.

MILLS, WY is 2 miles west of Casper, WY (pop. 46,000). Casper is the 2nd largest city in Wyoming. No government housing is available, but housing is abundant for both rental and purchase. Available facilities include schools through junior college, adequate shopping, a hospital, and airport, but no mass transportation. There is no state income tax levied in the State of Wyoming. Outdoor recreational opportunities abound with big game hunting, fishing, camping, boating, and skiing facilities immediately available in the Casper area.
MT ELBERT POWERPLANT is located near Twin Lakes, Colorado. The Mt. Elbert Powerplant has an elevation of 9,200 feet and is midway between Buena Vista and Leadville, Colorado. Limited housing is available at Twin Lakes, with more available housing at Buena Vista and Leadville. The area is an outdoors person’s paradise with 188,000 acres of national forest, some of Colorado’s highest peaks for climbing, and year-round recreation opportunities, including hiking, biking, excellent hunting and fishing, snowshoeing, and skiing. The closest shopping is limited in Buena Vista and Leadville, with Silverthorne/Frisco about 1 hour away, and Denver about 3 hours away.

OKLAHOMA CITY, OK (pop. 445,000) Oklahoma Metro Area (pop. 960,000) is in central Oklahoma (elev. 1,200 ft) and is a field office of the Oklahoma-Texas Area Office. Adequate schools, church, health, shopping and recreational facilities are available. Housing for purchase or rent is available. Oklahoma City University offers a variety of courses (night, extension & regular enrollment). University of Oklahoma at Norman is within commuting distance.

PIERRE, SD (pop. 12,900) is the capitol of the state. It is located in the center of the state on the Missouri River. Water recreation activities abound. Six miles north of town is Oahe Dam, the second largest rolled-earth dam in the world. Great hunting and fishing. Pierre offers clean air and scenic vistas. Easy access to the Black Hills. South Dakota has no state income tax, but has a 4 percent state sales tax, plus a 2-3 percent city sales tax.

PUEBLO, CO (pop. 110,000) is located approximately 100 miles south of Denver in south central Colorado. Available facilities include two modern hospitals, churches of many denominations, several municipal parks, and two golf courses. Education through the college level is locally available. Adequate housing is available both for rent and for sale.

RAPID CITY, SD (pop. 87,900) is located in the Black Hills in the southwestern part of South Dakota. The city has an excellent school system with two 4-year colleges and several vo-tech schools, churches of most denominations, hospitals and medical facilities, and shopping facilities. Adequate rentals and housing for purchase are available. South Dakota has no state income tax, but has a 4 percent state sales tax, plus a 2-3 percent city sales tax.

SEMINOE DAM, WY (45 mi NE of Rawlins (pop 9380), 35 mi N of Sinclair (pop 500). No government housing available. Adequate schools, churches, shopping and medical facilities are available in Rawlins/Sinclair area. Recreation includes game hunting, fishing, camping & boating. There is no state income tax in WY.
SNAKE CREEK PUMPING PLANT is about 10 miles from Garrison, ND (pop. 1,900). Housing is available for purchase in Garrison. No Government housing, some rentals, & limited apartments for rent. Rents are average for the area. Excellent school system through 12th grade, churches of most faiths, clinic and hospital, and fair shopping facilities are located in Garrison. Underwood (pop. 1,300) and Riverdale (pop. 500) are both about 20 miles from the Plant. ND has a State income tax and a 5% sales tax.

TIBER DAM is about 21 miles SW of Chester, MT, 65 miles SE of Shelby, 69 miles E of Conrad, and 100 miles from Great Falls, MT. Chester, MT (pop. 750) has shopping facilities average for a town of that size. There are good schools through high school, several churches, one hospital, two doctors, & one dentist in Chester. Full facilities are available in other towns in the area. No Government housing. MT has a State income tax, but no sales tax.

TORRINGTON, WY (pop. 5,400) is an irrigated farming community located in southern Wyoming. Adequate shopping, churches, schools through junior college, and medical facilities are available. Government housing is not available; however, rental and purchase of houses are adequate. There is not a mass transit system. Outdoor recreation opportunities abound: small game hunting, fishing, camping, and boating within commuting distance.

YELLOWTAIL DAM (Fort Smith, MT) (pop. 250) is located 43 miles south of Hardin, Montana on the banks of the world famous Bighorn River. The Bighorn River is nationally recognized as one of the premier trout streams in the United States offering many opportunities for anglers and recreationists. Bighorn Lake, also located near Fort Smith offers fishing, hiking, boating and sight seeing as well as many other opportunities for those that like to get outdoors. Government housing is available, as is some private housing. Schooling is provided through 3rd grade, 3rd - 6th, Junior, and Senior High students attend school in Hardin. Fort Smith has a gas station, 2 cafes, a gift shop and a general store. Hardin has a medical clinic, hospital, and limited shopping facilities.