

The National Park Service is accepting applications for seasonal employment at parks in Alaska, Idaho, Oregon and Washington. The jobs usually run from Memorial Day through Labor Day.

Competition for the jobs is fierce, according to Russell E. Dickenson, NPS regional director. He said the region expects more than 10,000 applications for the 600 jobs open next summer.

The employment odds are reduced even more, he added, because half or more of the jobs will be filled by former employes.

Dickenson urged members of minorities to apply for the jobs, saying his agency has a strong commitment to the federal equal employment opportunity program.

The openings next summer will be for unskilled laborers, aides, technicians, naturalists and rangers. Applicants must be at least 18 years old and citizens of the United States.

Application forms, available at the NPS Regional Office in Seattle and at all national parks in the four states, must be submitted by Jan. 15, 1978 to: Seasonal Employment Unit, National Park Service, P.O. Box 26200, Denver, Colorado 80226.

Persons wanting the forms mailed to them can call the Seattle Office at (206) 442-4409 or write Personnel Office, National Park Service, 601 Fourth and Pike Building, Seattle, Washington 98101.