

Gifford Pinchot Forest Ranger Roll Call

History – The Gifford Pinchot National Forest is located in southern Washington State and covers more than one million acres of forested land that extend from Mt. Rainier National Park to the Columbia River. It represents one of the oldest national forests in the country and was called the Columbia National Forest from 1908 to 1949. In 1949 it was named after American forester and politician Gifford Pinchot, who served as the first head of the U.S. Forest Service in 1905.

Cowlitz Valley District – Randle, WA

Randle District (1898 – 1998)

[This district merged with Packwood District to form Cowlitz Valley RD in 1998.]

Frank Gates	1898 – 1902
Granville F. Allen	1902 – 1902
Charles E. Randle	1903 – 1906
Alfred B. Conrad	1906 – 1909
John Kirkpatrick	1909 – 1934
Harvey A. Welty	1934 – 1935
Melvin M. Lewis	1935 – 1945
Harold C. Chriswell	1945 – 1950
Reuben S. Jacobsen	1950 – 1958
John Todd	1958 – 1959
Richard E. Burke	1958 – 1962
Harold Coates	1962 – 1981
Fred Page	1981 – 1988
Harry Cody	1988 – 1998

Lewis/Upper Cowlitz District (1902 – 1931)

[This district was absorbed by Packwood RD in 1931.]

John Schmitz	1902 – 1905
W. W. Cryder	1903 – 1908
Harry Cunningham	1908 – 1914
William Sethe	1915 – 1926
Fred Hornquist	1926 – 1931

Mineral District (1913 – 1969)

[This district was absorbed by Randle RD in 1969.]

Jules Hagon	1913 – 1922
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Packwood District (1931 – 1998)

[This district merged with Randle RD to form Cowlitz Valley RD in 1998.]

William Sethe	1931 – 1947
Reuben S. Jacobsen	1948 – 1950
David R. Gibney	1950 – 1952
Fritz M. Morrison	1953 – 1958
Ralph K. Coon	1959 – 1961

Richard A. Chase	1962 – 1965
James A. Hendrix	1966 – 1970
William S. Truitt	1971 – 1989
Randy Shepard	1989 – 1998

Cowlitz Valley District (1998 – Present)

Harry Cody	1998 – 2002
Ben Kizer	2002 – 2004
Kristie Miller	2005 – 2012
Gar Abbas	2012 – Present

Mt. Adams District – Trout Lake, WA

Hemlock District (1906 – 1965)

[This district was renamed to Wind River RD in 1965.]

Elias J. Wigal	1906 – 1911
Fritz Sethe	1911 – 1915
Eilert T. Skaar	1915 – 1916
George Williams	1917 – 1919
Axel Erickson	1919 – 1921
Clifford W. Welty	1921 – 1924
James H. Huffman	1925 – 1929
Ross Shepeard	1930 – 1940
Carlos T. Brown	1941 – 1942
J. H. Wood	1942 – 1943
William H. Johnson	1945 – 1947
Don R. Fechtner	1947 – 1952
Vincent N. Olsen	1955 – 1957
Frank J. Mauger	1958 – 1965

Guler District (1917 – 1956)

[This district was renamed to Mt. Adams RD in 1956.]

Harvey Lickel	1917 – 1918
Jesse M. Mann	1919 – 1922
Asher Ireland	1922 – 1923
Harvey A. Welty	1923 – 1933
Karl C. Langfield	1933 – 1956

Wind River District (1966 – 1998)

[This district merged with Mt. Adams RD in 1998.]

Clay G. Beal	1966 – 1969
David M. Jay	1969 – 1971
Robert J. Bartholomew	1972 – 1973
Harold P. Lange	1974 – 1981
Charles W. Cartwright	1982 – 1984
Geof Wilson	1985 – 1992
Greg Cox	1993 – 1998

Mt. Adams District (1956 – Present)

Harold Dahl	1956 – 1960
Robert D. Tokarczyk	1960 – 1963
Roger Stamy	1963 – 1970
Neil Paulson	1970 - 1977
James R. Bull	1977 – 1995
Greg Cox	1995 – 2003
Nancy Ryke	2003 – Present