Meade County Launches Veteran Employment Initiative

Sturgis, SD - The Meade County Board of Commissioners expand a cooperative initiative with the U.S. Department of Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) - in an effort to hire veterans.

The “Veteran in the Woods” initiative is funded by the BLM and will fall under Meade County’s current Firewise program. The primary goal of this Community Wildfire Protection effort is to reduce the risk from wildfire to life, property, and critical infrastructure.

Veterans will be hired and trained to facilitate this effort by working with private landowners on the education and implementation of fire/fuel mitigation efforts. The primary scope of work will find the veterans being trained on cutting, thinning, and removing trees on private land while at the same time educating the public on the need for same.

Meade County is vested in working with our current and returning veterans who are entering back into the private sector after serving our country.

Veterans who want to be considered are asked to fill out a Meade County employment application form and submit same to the Meade County Human Resource Office, 1300 Sherman Street, STE 212, Sturgis, SD 57785. Applications are available at: www.meadecounty.org via the Human Resources Office webpage.