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Crew Lead for Spotted Owl and Flammulated Owl Surveys in the Central Sierra Nevada

Spend your summer doing field work in the beautiful Sierra Nevada Mountains! We are looking for a crew lead seasonal biologist to lead a crew conducting surveys for California Spotted Owls and Flammulated Owls.

PROJECT DATES (tentative): Early/Mid May 2024 – Late August 2024

TRAINING: The field season will begin with a training period focusing on field safety and implementation of species-specific survey protocols.

RESPONSIBILITIES: Primary duties will involve training, coordinating and supervising a field crew conducting occupancy surveys for Spotted and Flammulated Owls on National Forest land. Owl survey work will be conducted at night. Managing and placing ARUs may also be a part of this position. Some long drives and occasional car camping may be required.

REQUIREMENTS: Previous supervisory experience is strongly preferred, as is previous experience surveying for Spotted Owls. An excellent driving record is required. Other requirements include strong interpersonal skills, a love of adventure, good organizational skills, and a desire to teach field techs about Spotted Owls and field biology. A willingness to face the rigors of fieldwork with good humor is important. These rigors include physically demanding work, early mornings and long field days, hot and dry weather, mosquitoes, occasional contact with bears, and housing that may be rustic and/or somewhat crowded. A willingness to face the rigors of fieldwork with good humor

is important. A personal vehicle is highly desirable but not strictly required. Survey work will occur primarily in the vicinity east of Lake Tahoe, NV.

SCHEDULE: Monday – Friday, night surveys.

EQUIPMENT: Crew leads are expected to provide their own binoculars, hiking boots and camping gear for car camping (tent, sleeping bag, raingear, etc.).

COMPENSATION: Crew leads will be considered seasonal IBP staff, and will receive payment of \$3,400 per month (before payroll taxes) depending on prior experience. Free shared housing and work vehicles will also be provided.

TO APPLY: Please email a resume, cover letter, and the names, phone numbers and email addresses of up to three references to [Bob Wilkerson](#), Biologist (bwilkerson AT birdpop DOT org). Professional references are preferred, but one reference may be a character reference. Many times references are slow to reply, we encourage submitting more references so that your application can be quickly processed.

IBP values diversity and encourages people from all backgrounds to apply. All qualified applicants will receive consideration regardless of race, color, religion, gender, gender identity or expression, or sexual orientation.