The INSTITUTE for BIRD POPULATIONS

POSITION AVAILABLE: MAPS FIELD BIOLOGIST
APPLICATION DEADLINE: January 15, 2020

The Institute for Bird Populations (IBP) seeks one (1) field biologist to serve as a crew leader to train and lead volunteers operating a network of mist-netting and banding stations in Yosemite National Park, California for the Monitoring Avian Productivity and Survivorship (MAPS) program. The position extends from May 4 through August 8, 2020.

Successful applicants should have previous experience with the MAPS protocol, be proficient at Western bird identification by sight and sound, and MUST have advanced skills in mist-netting, bird banding, and ageing and sexing of landbirds in the hand. Applicants will be expected to use Peter Pyle’s Identification Guide to North American Birds (Part I) to identify and teach plumages and molts of landbirds. Previous MAPS field technicians and crew leaders are especially encouraged to apply. Demonstrated leadership skills, attention to detail, good physical condition, a tolerance of long days that begin before dawn, and the ability to endure sometimes difficult field conditions are required. A reliable vehicle is a must (trucks/SUVs not required). This position is an excellent opportunity to gain experience leading field crews.

COMPENSATION: The MAPS biologist will be living at a Yosemite campground with the volunteers and are expected to spend a minimum of 6 out of every 10 days in the field, contingent upon weather and logistical considerations. MAPS field biologists in this position are considered seasonal employees of IBP, and receive payment of $2,700 per month and project-related mileage reimbursement ($0.37/mile), but no fringe benefits. See below to apply.

TO APPLY:

Submit a cover letter, resume and contact information for 3 references, by January 15, 2020, via email as a single attachment, to:

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Please put Yosemite MAPS biologist in the subject line.

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.