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Biologist: Spotted Owl Surveys in the Sierra Nevada

Spend your summer doing field work in the beautiful Sierra Nevada Mountains. We are looking for experienced field biologists to conduct surveys for Spotted Owls on the Plumas (1 position) and Stanislaus (1 position) National Forests.

PROJECT DATES (tentative): May 1, 2021 – Aug 31, 2021

RESPONSIBILITIES: Primary duties will involve conducting occupancy and reproduction status surveys for Spotted Owls on National Forest land. Much of the survey work will be conducted at night and will require off-trail hiking, frequent long drives and occasional car camping. Closely coordinating project activities with the Forest Service will also be required. Work will be physically demanding. Survey work will occur primarily in the vicinity of either Ouincy or Mi-wuk Village, CA.

REQUIREMENTS: Previous wildlife survey and back-country experience is required; familiarity with Spotted Owl survey protocols (including mousing) preferred. Other requirements include strong interpersonal skills, a sense of humor, a love of adventure, and a desire to teach volunteers about Spotted Owls and the Sierra Nevada. A willingness to face the rigors of fieldwork with good humor is important. These rigors include physically demanding work, hot and dry weather, mosquitoes, and occasional contact with bears.

SCHEDULE: Typically 7 days on and 3 off.

EQUIPMENT: The crew leader is expected to provide her/his own binoculars, hiking boots and camping gear for occasional front-country camping (tent, sleeping bag, raingear, etc.).

COMPENSATION: This is an IBP seasonal staff position paying \$3,200-3,500/month based on previous experience but includes no fringe benefits. Free housing shared with 1-2 other crew members will also be provided.

TO APPLY: Please email a resume, cover letter, and the names, phone numbers and email addresses of three references to Mandy Holmgren, Biologist, at: mholmgren AT birdpop DOT org.

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.