Field assistant positions evaluating impacts of fire on mesocarnivores in Lassen and Plumas National Forests, June-August 2024

Description

We seek three field technicians to support research on the impacts of fire on forest mesocarnivores (mainly marten and fisher) in Northeastern California. Technicians will assist with a large-scale remote camera and non-invasive sampling project in Lassen and Plumas National Forests. We anticipate the field season lasting from early June through mid-August.

Technicians will be responsible for navigating to remote field locations to deploy and monitor remote cameras throughout the two forests. Housing close to the field site is provided. Pay rate is expected to be full time (40 hours/week) @ \$18/hr for 10 weeks.

Qualifications

Technicians must be able to hike for long distances across rough terrain in extreme heat while maintaining a positive work attitude and collecting accurate data. Shared housing is provided, so the ability to be a decent roommate is required. We expect technicians to be enthusiastic about the project and the chance to work in such a beautiful and unique location as northeastern California. Additionally, we prefer that applicants have:

- > Received or are working towards a Bachelor's degree in Wildlife, Ecology, or related field
- At least one year of field experience working in this field of study, ideally at least some time in a leadership or management role
- Ability to work both independently and as part of a team to achieve research goals
- Experience conducting field work and hiking under extreme conditions (e.g., steep slopes, hot weather, long days, etc.)
- Generally strong field and navigation skills
- Strong work ethic and positive attitude
- Experience driving 4-wheel drive vehicles on rough terrain
- A clean driving record (and over age 21)
- Experience with setting remote camera stations
- Willingness to work with federal agency personnel

Interested applicants should send the following materials to dr327@humboldt.edu with subject line "Lassen field technician 2024":

- 1. A letter of research interests that highlights relevant skills, field experiences, and career goals, including an explicit statement that you have a clean driving record
- 2. A CV or resume, including contact information for at least two professional references
- 3. Transcripts (unofficial okay) from all undergraduate institutions

Anticipated start date is end of May or beginning of June 2024.

Applications received by April 5 will receive full consideration.

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