JOB ANNOUNCEMENT:

TITLE: Biological Field Technician

ORGANIZATION Plumas Audubon Society (PAS) promotes the understanding, appreciation, and protection of the biodiversity of the Feather River Region through education, research, and the restoration and conservation of natural ecosystems. Plumas Audubon Society is an independent chapter of the National Audubon Society. Based in Quincy California, Plumas Audubon has been serving the upper Feather River Watershed, throughout Plumas County and portions of Sierra and Lassen Counties, for 28 years.

JOB SUMMARY - Plumas Audubon is seeking an experienced field biologist to conduct protocol level surveys for Spotted Owl, Northern goshawk, and Sierra Nevada yellow-legged frog. This position is part time throughout the survey period and requires a flexible schedule. The biologist will work closely with the Conservation Director to ensure that surveys are conducted in accordance to recommended protocols and that data is recorded and documented accurately. The biological field technician may work independently or with other crew members.

Field work for this position will be primarily on Plumas National Forest lands in California's Sierra Nevada Range. With elevations ranging from 3,000 ft. to 7,000 ft., the environment in these mountains varies anywhere between deep valleys of old growth forest and steep densely forested terrain. The work generally requires a great amount of physical exertion because it involves long hours hiking on closed roads and trails. Off-trail hikes on steep, rocky terrain will be frequent. Field work is usually completed alone and all Spotted owl surveys occur at night. The appointee must be willing and able to carry backpacks and research equipment weighing up to 45 pounds, hike up to 15 miles each night, hike off-trails, and work in inclement weather conditions that may include wind, rain, and snow.
Fieldwork will require flexible, typically 10-12 hours per shift during the summer months (June – August). Dates of employment will vary depending on ecological factors and survey priority.

This is a part time seasonal position. Dates and hours are flexible but should not exceed 224 hours (28 days) between date of hire and August 31, 2019.

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Conduct surveys for Northern goshawk, Spotted owl, and Sierra Nevada yellow legged frog.
- Record accurate data and GPS tracks.
- Potential to train and oversee seasonal interns.
- Coordinate with Conservation Director to create survey plans.
- Ability to use GPS, maps, compass and navigate off trail

COMPENSATION: $14.00 - $16.00 DOE

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS Send resume to opportunities@plumasaudubon.org

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