

# **JOB ANNOUNCEMENT:**

TITLE: California Spotted Owl Survey
Technician

### **ORGANIZATION**

Plumas Audubon Society (PAS) promotes the understanding, appreciation, and protection of the biodiversity of the Feather River Region, especially birds, 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 34 years.

### **JOB SUMMARY**

PAS is seeking an experienced biological field technician to conduct surveys for California spotted Owl. There may also be an opportunity to work on additional projects. This position is full time throughout the survey period (March – August) and requires residence in or re-location to Plumas County during the survey period. The biological field technician will work closely with the Project Manager to ensure that surveys are conducted in accordance to recommended protocols and that data is recorded and documented accurately. The California spotted owl survey technician may work independently or with other crew members. This is a full-time seasonal position.

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 to 7,000 feet, the environment in these mountains varies anywhere between deep valleys of old growth forest, steep densely forested terrain, and post-fire landscapes. The work generally requires a positive attitude and flexible schedule as it requires a great amount of nocturnal shifts and the potential for hiking on closed roads and trails. The appointee must be willing and able to carry research equipment, hike off trail, and work in inclement weather conditions that may include wind, rain, snow, and sun exposure.

Fieldwork will require a flexible schedule, typically 8 hours per shift during the summer months. Dates of employment will vary depending on ecological factors, survey priority, and wildfire season.

### **KEY RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- Conduct surveys for the California spotted owl throughout Forest Service lands North of Quincy, California during nocturnal surveys.
- Ability to use GPS, maps, compass and navigate off trail is required.
- Record accurate data.
- Upload data to Plumas Audubon Society network server, with attention to data management throughout the season.
- Coordinate with Project Manager to create survey plans.
- Ability to operate a manual transmission preferred.

**COMPENSATION: \$18.00/hr** 

## **APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS**

Send resume and cover letter to <a href="mailto:opportunities@plumasaudubon.org">opportunities@plumasaudubon.org</a>

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