Summer Field Technician – Wyoming

Description

A Colorado State University graduate student is seeking an enthusiastic and hard-working field technician to assist with a research project on Ferruginous Hawks. This project is in partnership with the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and Teton Raptor Center (TRC), and is located on BLM land in southwest Wyoming where energy development has been proposed. The objectives of the project are to increase understanding of nest success and habitat use to help inform mitigation to conserve this population. This is a paid position, with housing provided, but will also involve many days of camping in remote locations.

Location: Pinedale, Wyoming
Salary: $1500/month. Housing provided.
Dates: 05/15/20 – 7/15/20 (start and end dates somewhat flexible)
Last Date to Apply: 03/31/2020 or until filled.

Work Duties

- Surveying for nesting raptors
- Regular nest checks
- Driving in off-road conditions
- Surveys for prey species
- Trapping adult breeding raptors
- Handling adult raptors for banding and morphometrics
- Telemetry work

Qualifications

- Enrollment/completion of BSc degree in ecology, biology, or related field at Colorado State University
- Ability to identify western bird species, especially raptors (preferred)
- Previous camping experience
- Willingness to work in remote field conditions
- Able to spend long hours in difficult field conditions
- Willingness to work long days and weekends when necessary
- Ability and comfort using GPS units, field scopes, and binoculars
- Previous knowledge driving on off-road conditions
- Valid driver’s license
- Experience handling buteo raptor species (preferred)
- Own car (preferred - field site is remote, and personal car may be desirable)

Contact Person: Sarah Ramirez, sarah.ramirez@colostate.edu

Please send cover letter describing interest in the position and relevant experience, resume, and names and contact information of two references electronically to Sarah Ramirez (sarah.ramirez@colostate.edu) no later than March 31, 2020. Be sure to include available start and end dates.