



JOB ANNOUNCEMENT:

TITLE: Wildlife Field 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 Society has been serving the upper Feather River Watershed, throughout Plumas County and portions of Sierra and Lassen Counties, for 35 years.

JOB SUMMARY

PAS is seeking an experienced field technician to conduct protocol-level surveys for California spotted owls and northern goshawk. There may also be an opportunity to work on additional projects. This position is full-time throughout the survey period (May–August) and requires residence in Plumas County. The biological field technician will work closely with the Field Coordinator to ensure that surveys are conducted in accordance with 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 and Tahoe 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 great amount of physical exertion because it involves long hours of hiking on closed roads and trails. Off-trail hikes on steep, rocky terrain will be frequent. The appointee must be willing and able to carry backpacks and research equipment weighing up to 45 pounds, 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 8-10 hours per shift during the summer months. Dates of employment will vary depending on ecological factors, survey priority, and wildfire season. This is a full-time seasonal position.

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Conduct protocol-level surveys for the California spotted owl and northern goshawk throughout Forest Service lands on the Plumas and Tahoe National Forests.
- 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 the Project Manager to accomplish the goals of the survey plan.

COMPENSATION: \$18.00 - 20.00 determined based on experience

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Send resume and cover letter to opportunities@plumasaudubon.org

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