

**POSITION DESCRIPTION**

**Title:** Mexican Spotted Owl Field Technician

**FLSA Status**: Full Time Employee Salaried

**Reports to:** Crew Leader

**Direct Reports:** none

**Location**: New Mexico and Arizona

**Salary:** $1,000/2 weeks

**Duration:** April 2nd to July 6th

**Benefits:** none

**Start Date** April 2nd

**About the Organization:**

Bird Conservancy of the Rockies conserves birds and their habitats through an integrated approach of science, education and stewardship. Our work extends from the Rockies to the Great Plains, Mexico and beyond. Our mission is advanced through sound science, achieved through empowering people, realized through stewardship and sustained through cross-border collaborations. We monitor and identify population trends, research habitat needs, engage landowners and managers in wildlife and habitat stewardship, and inspire audiences of all ages to be better stewards of the land. Together, we are improving native bird populations, the land, and the lives of people. Learn more about our work and programs at our website: [www.birdconservancy.org](http://www.birdconservancy.org)

**Job Duties and Responsibilities:**

**OVERVIEW**

The Bird Conservancy of the Rockies is seeking to hire up to nine field technicians for a Mexican Spotted Owl monitoring project across Arizona and New Mexico. Field technicians will conduct nighttime surveys for Mexican Spotted Owls in National Forests. Applicants should be comfortable working and hiking at night in steep terrain with potentially dangerous wildlife (black bears, mountain lions, rattlesnakes). Work requires a lot of camping and hiking with some backpacking. The season begins in April and continues until mid-July. Two technician positions will start in May. Work schedule will be 10 days on, 4 days off.

**REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES**

* Ability to hike up to 10 miles a day while carrying up to 40 lbs
* Attention to detail and ability to collect quality data
* Good communication
* Ability to travel and work with a partner for 10 day periods
* Enthusiasm for spending 3.5 months in beautiful forests and canyons

**REQUIRED EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE:**

* Completion or progress towards a Bachelor’s degree in biology, ecology, environmental science, or a related field
* Driver’s license and 4WD experience
* Backcountry experience (including backpacking, off trail navigation, basic survival skills, and grit)

**To Apply:**

To apply, send a cover letter, resume, and three references IN ONE DOCUMENT (.pdf or .doc) to [wendy.lanier@birdconservancy.org](mailto:wendy.lanier@birdconservancy.org). Name your application file accordingly: *Lastname*\_MSO2018\_technician. Application review will begin in January 2nd and continue until the positions are filled.