

POSITION DESCRIPTION

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| Title: | Mexican Spotted Owl Crew Leader 2 |
| FLSA Status: | Full Time Employee Salaried |
| Reports to: | Wendy Lanier |
| Direct Reports: | Field Technicians |
| Location: | New Mexico and Arizona |
| Salary: | \$1,280/2 weeks |
| Duration: | Late March to end of August |
| Benefits: | none |
| Start Date | Late March |

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

Job Duties and Responsibilities:

OVERVIEW

The Bird Conservancy of the Rockies is seeking to hire a Crew Leader 2 for a Mexican Spotted Owl monitoring project across Arizona and New Mexico. The Crew Leader 2 will oversee the scheduling and logistics of five technicians, interface with Forest Service biologists, maintain thorough communication with the project manager, as well as mentor and work alongside up to two interns. In addition, the Crew Leader 2 will conduct nighttime surveys for Mexican Spotted Owls in National Forests. Applicants should be comfortable working at night in steep terrain, both on- and off-trail, with potentially dangerous wildlife (black bears, mountain lions, rattlesnakes). The fieldwork is very strenuous with long hikes and requires a lot of camping with some backpacking. Applicants should be prepared for the physical demands of conducting off-trail fieldwork in mountainous settings. The season begins in late March and continues until mid-July. Work schedule will be 10 days on, 4 days off. Following the field season, the Crew Leader 2 has the option to stay until the end of August to help with data entry and management.

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES

- Ability to hike up to 12 miles a day while carrying up to 40 lbs
- Attention to detail and ability to collect quality data
- Professional communication for interacting with Forest Service biologists and updating project leader
- Ability to travel and work with a partner for 10 day periods
- Exceptional organization
- Ability to manage field logistics and crew schedules

- Enthusiasm for spending 3.5 months in beautiful forests and canyons

REQUIRED EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE:

- Bachelor's degree in biology, ecology, environmental science, or a related field
- Prior experience leading a field crew of at least 4 individuals
- 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. Name your application file accordingly: *Lastname_MSO2019_leader2*. Application review will begin in January 7th and continue until the positions are filled.