

FALL MIGRATION OWL BANDER

EXPERIENCED SMALL OWL BANDER (1) needed for fall owl migration banding station in Theodore Roosevelt National Park, Medora, North Dakota, operated by Bird Conservancy of the Rockies

Position: Experienced Small Owl Bander

Location: Theodore Roosevelt National Park, Medora, ND

Dates of Employment: Approximately October 1 – October 27, 2019

Schedule: Normal work schedule is Tuesday night – Sunday night, 4-6 hours per night

Compensation: \$14.25/hour

Closing Date: August 17, 2019

Job Description: Primary duties are owl capture and banding, but also include set-up and dismantling of banding station, including clearing net lanes, and erecting and maintaining nets. Must be able to operate 6 - 10 nets without assistance. Attention to detail and excellent record-keeping skills desired. Will be working with an intern and will be responsible for some intern training. Responsible for both field and electronic (Excel) data entry. Housing (shared, with own room) and all equipment provided. Personal vehicle, valid driver's license, and auto insurance required. Hiring contingent on passing a background and driving record check.

Qualifications: Prior experience and proficiency in mist-netting, safe extraction and proper handling, and efficient banding and processing of small owls. Must be able to identify, age, and sex a variety of owl species captured, primarily, but not limited to, Northern Saw-whet Owl, Eastern Screech-owl, and Long-eared Owl. Experience training inexperienced field staff desired. Ability to effectively communicate to public visitors at the banding station required. Personal vehicle, valid driver's license, and auto insurance required.

How to Apply: Send a single PDF file containing a letter of interest, current resume, and names, phone numbers, and email addresses of two references familiar with your owl banding skills to: Nancy Drilling, nancy.drilling@birdconservancy.org.

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