WILDLIFE BIOLOGIST/SITE LEADERS (2-3) FOR SEABIRD PROJECT

Humboldt State University Sponsored Programs Foundation

Job Announcement

This is not a state position

Job Title: WILDLIFE BIOLOGIST/SITE LEADERS (2-3) FOR SEABIRD PROJECT

Wage: Range $20.54 to $23.28 per hour depending on experience and responsibilities. Housing at the field site will be provided. This is a full-time position. Job offers a competitive benefits package including group health, dental, and vision.

Project Name: Common Murre Restoration Project

Supervisor: Richard Golightly Ph.D.

Background and duties: The Common Murre Restoration Project is seeking up to three (pending available funding) Site Leader positions to conduct monitoring of breeding seabirds including Common Murre, Brandt’s Cormorant, Pelagic Cormorant, Western Gull, Black Oystercatcher and Pigeon Guillemot along the central California coast. This project is conducted cooperatively by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge Complex) and Humboldt State University. The purpose of the project is to aid in the recovery of Murre colonies that were depleted because of oil spills, human disturbance and other anthropogenic factors.

Primary duties will include conducting seabird population and productivity surveys, documenting human disturbances to seabirds, database entry, training and supervising up to two Wildlife Technicians, scheduling and managing daily field work, ensuring accurate data recording and entry, summarizing field data, report writing, coordinating with project partners, and interacting with the public. Other duties may include counting seabirds from aerial photographs, conducting surveys of nesting seabirds, or other related tasks as assigned. Multi-day travel between multiple sites at a distance from the primary duty station may be required. Successful applicants must demonstrate specific evidence of leadership and good communication skills, ability to work independently and ability to make good decisions in the field. Preference may be given to applicants with prior field experience with seabird or other wildlife monitoring or census techniques. Additional evaluation may be based on the applicant’s knowledge and
experience with computer use, databases, and report preparation. Site Leaders will be expected to assist with pre-season preparation of field equipment and supplies, post-season data analysis and preparation of an annual report.

**Duration:** Approximately late March or early April through August 2019. There is the possibility of 2-3 months extension beyond August 2019 depending on funding and qualifications.

**Minimum Qualifications:** 1) Bachelor’s degree in wildlife, biological sciences or related discipline with an emphasis in wildlife biology, restoration or behavior; 2) current driver’s license with a good driving record; 3) ability to sufficiently move and lift equipment up to 50 lbs; 4) ability to regularly hike up to 3 miles in steep/narrow/uneven terrain while carrying up to 50 lbs of gear; 5) ability to work at the tops of high, steep cliffs, 6) specific and demonstrable leadership skills; 7) specific and demonstrable database skills; and 8) specific and demonstrable communication skills.

**Application must include:**

1) A **SIGNED** cover letter, which includes the exact job title: Site Leader

2) Résumé

3) Names, affiliations, and phone numbers of two professional references


**Do not staple application packet!**

**NO EMAIL APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED**

For questions please contact Cassie Bednar at (510) 792-0222 x225 or Cassie.Bednar@humboldt.edu.

**Closing Date:** Applications must be post marked by January 21, 2019 to receive full consideration. Late applications may or may not be considered.
Send completed application to:

Cassie Bednar
ATTN: Site Leader
San Francisco Bay NWRC
1 Marshlands Road
Fremont, CA 94555 USA

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For assistance with the application process, please submit an Accommodation Request Form which can be found here or call the SPF Interim Compliance Support Coordinator at (707) 826-5159.

A background check (including a criminal records check) must be completed satisfactorily before any candidate can be offered this position within HSU SPF. Failure to satisfactorily complete the background check may affect the application status of applicants or continued employment of current HSU SPF employees who apply for this position.

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