Position: Field Intern - Greater Sage-grouse Habitat Surveys

Description:

The Oregon Natural Desert Association (ONDA) is seeking two energetic and motivated interns to conduct spring and fall monitoring of vegetation transects in eastern Oregon. The survey effort is part of a larger project monitoring habitat characteristics important to the life history of the Greater Sage-grouse. A typical work week will be 40 hours and involve traveling and camping in eastern Oregon for 4-5 day periods, working alongside staff to complete project objectives. Field vehicle, equipment and survey training is provided by ONDA. The field season consists of two survey periods, two months in the spring and two months in the late summer/fall with the potential for other opportunities between survey periods. This is a great opportunity to gain job skills and experience essential to a career in natural resources or related fields.

Location: Office: Bend, Oregon / Field sites: Eastern Oregon

Start Date: April 15th

End Date: November 1st (July and August not included in work period)

Compensation: Stipend commensurate with performance, plus food and travel expenses

Requirements:

Qualified applicants will have a passion for natural resource management and conservation biology. Preference will be given to those with some experience identifying Great Basin and/or Intermountain west plant species; working in remote locations; following survey protocols; operating 4-wheel drive vehicles in adverse conditions; and using a GPS, maps and compass. Applicants must be in good physical shape and have the ability to walk 5-10 miles over varying terrain in adverse weather conditions. Valid driver's license is required.

This position requires interns to work in remote locations with limited or no services available. Qualified applicants will be able to work independently and as part of a team, making decisions in a safe and efficient manner to achieve project objectives. Background in natural resources, biology, botany or related field will be given preference.

To apply for this position:

Include in ONE (not separate attachments) .doc or .pdf file the following:

- 1. Cover letter stating why you are the best candidate for this position.
- 2. Resume which includes education, dates of employment and the address and phone number for each employer.
- 3. Three references with phone numbers and email addresses.

Please send application materials to <u>ondatech@onda.org</u> with "Field Intern" in the subject line. ONDA will not contact applicants until March 15th, so please do not contact us prior to that date.

The Oregon Natural Desert Association (ONDA) exists to protect, defend, and restore Oregon's high desert for current and future generations.

