RNA Monitoring Technician

POSITION DESCRIPTION: The Institute for Applied Ecology will be hiring 2 seasonal technicians to work on a project to monitoring plant species/communities of Research Natural Areas in the Lakeview BLM District. Field work will involve botanical surveys, using Assessment, Inventory, and Monitoring protocols. Technicians will work with the crew leader and program staff to prepare field equipment, conduct field work, and assist in data management. Position is based in Corvallis, Oregon, but 100% of the field work will be conducted in the Lakeview BLM District in southern Oregon. Out-of-town/overnight (accommodations include hotels and camping) is required, and field work will consist of an 8-day-on/6-day-off schedule (Wednesday-Wednesday). At the conclusion of field data collection, position will be continued in the IAE office in Corvallis, OR.

START DATE: mid-April to early-May (some flexibility)
END DATE: early- to mid-July (some flexibility)

**NOTE—Dates are the best projections, but some flexibility is possible due to ensuring timing of sampling to appropriate plant phenology. Updated information will be provided as it becomes available, although we expect the actual dates to be very close to the stated ranges.

QUALIFICATIONS:
- BS in a relevant field
- Mature, self-motivated, highly organized, and comfortable working in a 2-4 person field crew
- Must have a valid driver’s license, be willing to travel, and be able to perform strenuous work in all weather conditions
- Physical requirements include ability to hike 10+ miles in rugged terrain carrying a 30-lb load and work in a bent-over/kneeling/sitting position for long periods of time
- Basic computer skills (word processing and spreadsheet applications) required; experience in GIS is a plus
- 1 or more seasons of field research experience, with preference given to those with skills in plant identification and vegetation sampling (preference given to those with AIM experience).

COMPENSATION: $13.00-14.00/hr depending on experience, plus travel expenses associated with overnight field work (food and lodging). Housing in Corvallis is not provided. This is a full-time temporary position with no benefits.

TO APPLY: You must complete the online application form. In addition, you need to include a letter of interest stating when you will be available to start work (this is a MUST), resume, transcripts (unofficial is fine) as a single PDF document emailed to jobs@appliedeco.org no later than Friday, February 1, 2019. In the subject line, please write the position type (internship, technician, crew lead) for which you are applying.

You will be required to include the names and contact information for three references in your online application form. AT LEAST ONE reference must be from a supervisor from a work experience.

If you are applying to more than one position at IAE, please indicate the positions in your cover letter.
INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. Non-U.S. residents must also include a copy of their work visa. Applications will be considered upon receipt. Please direct all inquiries to jobs@appliedeco.org.

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