Prairie Oak Inventory Technician

POSITION DESCRIPTION: The Institute for Applied Ecology will be hiring two seasonal technicians to conduct prairie and oak habitat site assessments. Field work will involve a variety of botanical survey methods. Technicians will work with the crew leader and program staff to prepare/manage field equipment (5%), conduct field work (65%), and assist in data management and report writing (30%). Position will be based in Corvallis, Oregon, and field work will be conducted throughout the BLM’s Northwest Oregon District. Some out-of-town/overnight travel (accommodations include hotels and camping) may be required and field work will consist of 4-day hitches with weekends off.

START DATE: late April
END DATE: late July (some flexibility)

QUALIFICATIONS:
- B.S. in a relevant field or equivalent experience.
- Mature, self-motivated, highly organized, and very comfortable working in and camping with a 2- to 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 (MS Word, MS Excel) required; experience in GIS or electronic data collection applications (e.g., S1 mobile, Survey 123, Field Maps, ArcGIS Online) is preferred.
- One or more seasons of field ecology experience, with preference given to those with skills in vegetation monitoring, ecological restoration, birding, and identifying plants of the Pacific Northwest.

COMPENSATION: $18/hr depending on experience, plus travel expenses associated with any overnight field work (food and lodging). Housing not provided. This is a full-time temporary position with paid holidays and sick leave.

VACCINE REQUIREMENT: In compliance with federal guidelines, IAE has a mandatory Covid-19 vaccination policy. All employees are required to submit proof of vaccination prior to employment. Applicants may request exceptions and reasonable accommodations for medical or religious reasons. Any offer of employment will be contingent on complying with this policy.

TO APPLY: You must complete the online application form. In addition, 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 Sunday, January 2, 2022. In the email subject line, please write the specific position title (at the top of each announcement) for which you are applying.

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

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. If you are applying for more than one position at IAE, please send separate application emails for each position, and include the job title in the subject line. Please direct all inquiries to jobs@appliedeco.org.

Studies have shown that Black, Indigenous and People of Color (BIPOC), women and other marginalized groups are less likely to apply for jobs unless they believe they meet every one of the qualifications as described in a job description. We are most interested in finding the best candidate for the job, and that candidate may be one who comes from a less traditional background. If you are interested in applying, we encourage you to think broadly about your background and qualifications for the role.
IAE supports diversity and equity, and we encourage applications from all groups of people. We recognize that the strength of IAE is in our people, and we believe that every employee has the right to work in surroundings that are free from all forms of unlawful discrimination and harassment. IAE does not and will not discriminate in employment and personnel practices, and our commitment to equal employment opportunity applies to every aspect of the employment relationship.