

Technician Announcement:

Organization: Utah State University

Location: Washington, Oregon, California, New Mexico, Arizona, Montana

Job Category: Temporary/Seasonal Positions

Salary: \$12.00/hour

Last Date to Apply: February 13th 2023

The conservation on working lands CIG group (CoW-CIG), which consists of people from Utah, Colorado, and Montana State Universities, Western Landowners Alliance, Heart of the Rockies Initiative, Wildlife Services, and Defenders of Wildlife, is hiring full and part-time technicians for the 2023 field season. Technicians will help with research evaluating the effectiveness of nonlethal tools at reducing conflicts between livestock and large carnivores, and ecological interactions between carnivores and native prey species. They will be supervised by a Ph.D. student at Utah State University but expected to communicate with all of the collaborators, state agency employees, ranchers, range riders, and more. Applicants should have strong field and communication skills. Technicians will help manage field cameras and code camera data, locate collared livestock, predators, and prey species, investigate predator kills, and assist with biological sampling from cattle. Training for this position will start in March/April of 2023 (**priority to those who can travel as soon as March 12th**), and the field season will run through October/November 2023. Applicants with animal husbandry/livestock operations experience and from underrepresented groups in STEM are strongly encouraged to apply.

Position pays \$12/hour. Limited, basic housing may be available if needed in Logan, Utah (**please let us know in your application if you will need housing**).

Required Qualifications:

- Must be 21 years old by April 1st, 2023, and able to complete an online defensive driving course
- Ability to be flexible because ranching schedules change abruptly! Part-time technicians must have flexible schedules because this position requires flexible hours and workdays, potentially including weekends and evening.
- Valid driver's license with a clean driving record and comfortable driving long distances
- Strong organization and communication skills
- Ability to pass a background check to access federal vehicles and military bases.
- Strong field skills include backpacking with heavy loads for long hours, driving four-wheel drive vehicles (e.g., trucks and ATVs) on unmaintained roads, and camping in bear country.
- Ability to lift 50 pounds.

Desired Qualifications:

- Bachelor's degree in a related field and/or experience with animal husbandry/livestock operations
- Ability to work independently.
- Must be enthusiastic, friendly, and willing to communicate regularly with livestock owners and range riders.
- Experience with game camera management and data research
- Ability to be flexible and professional in all situations.

Please provide a resume/CV and contact information for two professional references in one pdf to Rae Nickerson rae.nickerson@usu.edu . PLEASE title your email "CoW-CIG Technician", to ensure we see your application.

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