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Subject: Summer field jobs in Yosemite National Park and the West

The Western Forest Initiative is hiring three field technicians for summer of 2017.

Forest Demography and Fire Effects: These positions will primarily involve the establishment of spatially-explicit forest plots in Yosemite National Park. The crew will navigate to areas within or near the footprint of the Rim Fire of 2013 (wilderness and non-wilderness) and then identify, measure, and map trees and snags in ¼ ha plots. The crew will receive training in mapping and demography in the Yosemite Forest Dynamics Plot and will work with investigators from Utah State University, the University of Washington, and the University of Montana on this Joint Fire Science Program funded project.

Duration: Late-May through mid-August, with the possibility for some staff to extend the season. The work schedule is four, ten-hour days per week. Because we don't work under inclement conditions, the crew will need to be flexible.

Salary: \$12.50 per hour. Campground accommodations are provided. Personal vehicle use reimbursed at \$0.485/mile.

Qualifications: Previous experience taking vegetation research data, working safely in challenging environments, and following complex data collection protocols is required. Candidates should demonstrate the ability to solve problems, to work both independently and in teams of two or three, and to work with students and volunteers. Work will involve moving through rough terrain carrying delicate and expensive equipment, as well as carrying up to 15 kg of additional gear. Knowledge of western flora, tree pathogens, and forest insects is helpful, as is solid experience with outdoor living. Applicants must have a valid driver's license and good driving history. Applicants need a Wilderness First Aid certification (Wilderness First Responder preferred) valid for the season.

Apply: Please assemble the following into a single PDF file and email it to james.lutz@usu.edu – 1) a one-page cover letter describing your reasons for applying, specific dates of availability (including any planned mid-summer absences, or a statement that you plan none), and confirmation of your first aid certification, 2) a resume, no longer than two pages, 3) unofficial transcripts, and 4) names, phone numbers and email addresses of three references. Application deadline: January 31, 2017. Usually, we have made our staffing decisions by early February. Exceptional candidates will be selected earlier.

Additional information and background at: https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=http-3A__yfdp.org&d=CwIF-g&c=Ngd-ta5yRYSqelUsEDgxcqsYYY1Xs5ogLxWPA_2Wlcl4&r=e2OJ1azRFn8ihJzb2HxZT0AqoiqLvxfeeATyN59ZLol&m=H0ehSOqAHfvRn_trKcRbqnx02y7ARa47IVQS98xCtWY&s=6ap3KJ1SqYS7I4Q5_o-h6DRfYwQ87jmdAuczyGFw_Lk&e=; https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=http-3A__westernforestinitiative.org&d=CwIF-g&c=Ngd-ta5yRYSqelUsEDgxcqsYYY1Xs5ogLxWPA_2Wlcl4&r=e2OJ1azRFn8ihJzb2HxZT0AqoiqLvxfeeATyN59ZLol&m=H0ehSOqAHfvRn_trKcRbqnx02y7ARa47IVQS98xCtWY&s=rSViA78RBGMVw6cez0WB5jHiE5Bj8s2_j9I5CQqg4XY&e=, and the Facebook Group "Yosemite Forest Dynamics Plot"