



*WHAT IS WILDERNESS? IT'S  
MANKIND'S  
ACKNOWLEDGMENT THAT  
THERE IS A HIGHER VALUE, A  
HIGHER PURPOSE.  
IT CEASES TO BE WILDERNESS  
WHEN WE'RE HERE. BUT WE  
ARE ITS STEWARDS. IT IS VITAL  
TO OUR SOULS. IT IS THE  
SOURCE OF MUCH OF OUR  
INSPIRATION.*

**MARTIN LITTON**

*LOGGING A BURNT FOREST IS  
NOT RESTORATION!*

**ARA MARDEROSIAN**

*WE ARE TAKING DOWN OUR  
ANCIENT FORESTS AND  
REPLACING THEM WITH TREE  
FARMS. A MOVE AKIN TO  
TAKING DOWN THE LOUVRE  
AND PUTTING UP PAINT-BY-  
NUMBERS ART. WE MUST STOP  
NOW!*

**ED BEGLEY, JR.**

*MANAGE PEOPLE, NOT NATURE.  
ALISON SHEEHEY*

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**Field Research Interns:** So. Sierra Nevada, California

**Organization:** Sequoia ForestKeeper (SFK)

**Location:** Kernville, California

**Job Category:** Full-Time Temporary Position

**Website:** <http://www.sequoiaforestkeeper.org>

**Salary:** Salary: \$3,520 total compensation for 320 hours.  
Housing provided. Utilities intern responsibility.

**Start Date:** June 18, 2018

**Last Date to Apply:** May 15, 2018

**Job Summary:**

Field interns will conduct surveys for forest and watershed health in the southern Sierra Nevada in the 1.2 million acre Sequoia National Forest in Fresno, Tulare, and Kern Counties. The work includes: conducting day and night surveys for Spotted Owl and Northern Goshawk in mature and old-growth coniferous forests following established protocols, setting up and monitoring remote, wildlife camera stations, conducting forest vegetation surveys, GPS documenting water wells, marked trees, and dead trees, mapping and transcribing data, determining transects for placement of RAWS weather stations, completing weekly electronic journals for supervisorial review.

Applicants should be comfortable navigating and working in teams or alone in the forest under dark conditions and inclement weather. Most work will be in forested areas near roadsides, with some hiking involved of possibly an hour each way through steep and rugged cross country terrain.

Technicians will be trained for one-week and be provided with technical field equipment with the exception of field vehicles. Interns must use their own 4WD/AWD high clearance, reliable vehicle on the project, mileage will be reimbursed at standard rate.

Technicians will be provided housing but be responsible for utilities at field housing, their own camping/backpacking equipment, and their own work vehicle.

**Job Responsibilities:**

- GPS, photograph, and map all water wells encountered in Sequoia National Forest;
- Count and map dead trees, groundwater wells, and surface water diversions in quadrats based on soil strata;
- Locate and install remote wildlife camera survey stations where directed;
- Conduct audio-visual surveys of owls and goshawks at dawn;
- Conduct visual surveys of vegetation;

- Photo-document species encountered and Upload photos and data to Sequoia ForestKeeper online databases: eBird, iNaturalist, and CalFlora;
- Collect and transcribe data accurately and legibly;
- Other related work as needed;
- Prepare weekly, detailed reports of activities and observations and in the last week of the season prepare a final report and PowerPoint report summarizing your weekly reports to present to SFK supporters and volunteers.

### Qualifications

- Minimum of Bachelor's degree in biology with botany, wildlife biology, hydrology, or natural sciences strongly preferred;
- Two-years of field experience preferred;
- Expertise in at least one of the following: 1. Western bird identification skills and working knowledge of common birds; 2. and/or western plant identification skills with ability to use dichotomous keys; 3. and/or hydrology mapping experience;
- Strong orienteering skills using compass, GPS, map and aerial photos;
- GIS mapping skills preferred;
- Comfortable camping and working alone and/or in teams, in the dark and in inclement weather;
- Effective communication skills;
- Excellent physical fitness necessary to hike in very steep terrain (and regularly off-trail);
- Must always practice leave no trace;
- Must possess Vehicle capable of driving on dirt roads;
- Clean driving record; and
- Normal vision and hearing necessary.
- *Must be interested in an opportunity to work with an environmental organization intent on saving the forest from consumption, this is not a job but an opportunity for a life purpose;*

**Dates of Employment:** June 18 through August 10, 2018.

**To Apply:** Please send resume, cover letter, and list of 3 professional references to Alison Sheehey: [alison@sequoiaforestkeeper.org](mailto:alison@sequoiaforestkeeper.org). **Please apply only if you do not meet the minimum qualifications.** Interviews will be conducted by phone.

**Closing Date:** as soon as positions are filled.

**Contact Person:** Alison Sheehey

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