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Title: Marbled Murrelet Surveyor **Status:** Full-time, Seasonal

Job Summary:

10 - 15 field biologists are needed to conduct surveys for a threatened seabird, the Marbled Murrelet, on private and government-owned lands in western Oregon and northern California. Some positions may also involve assisting on other nearby wildlife survey projects. The work includes: conducting early morning surveys in mature and old-growth coniferous forests following a strict protocol, establishment of survey routes, collecting habitat data, conducting surveys, transcribing data and reporting to your supervisor. Applicants should be comfortable navigating and working alone in the forest under low light conditions and inclement weather. Some survey stations are located on roads, while most stations require hiking 15 min – 1 hour each way through steep and rugged terrain. Hiking into survey stations will be done in the dark as surveys start 45 minutes before sunrise.

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For the project we will provide a mandatory full survey certification training (April 20th to the 24th), housing, work vehicle and all field equipment. A vehicle bonus and mileage reimbursement will be provided to biologists using their own 4WD/AWD high clearance, reliable vehicle on the project.

Job Responsibilities:

- Locating and flagging survey stations;
- Conducting audio-visual surveys at dawn;
- Collecting and transcribing data accurately and legibly;
- Other related work as needed.

Qualifications:

- Minimum of Bachelor's degree in biology, wildlife biology, or natural sciences required;
- Two-years of field experience, including experience conducting field research or surveys on birds required;
- Western bird identification skills
- Comfortable camping and surveying alone;
- Strong orienteering skills using compass, GPS, map and aerial photos;
- Capable of working alone, in the dark, in very steep terrain and in inclement weather;
- Effective communication skills and ability to work alone and in teams;
- Clean driving record; and
- Normal vision and hearing (hearing test required).

Wage: Salary Position at: \$1,430 - \$1603 DOE, paid twice monthly (equivalent of \$16.50-\$18.50/hour).

Closing Date: February 21st, 2020, or as soon as positions are filled.

Expected Dates of Employment: Early April to late July/early August 2020.

Employment may be extended depending on work load, employee performance and additional projects that may become available.

To Apply: Please send resume, cover letter, and list of 3 professional references to Matt Reed: Matt@HamerEnvironmental.com