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1996 Volunteer Opportunities

BCI is supporting two field research projects in the summer of 1996, and volunteer field assistants are needed for both. All research equipment and training is provided; however, previous field experience is desirable. Volunteers must be in excellent physical condition and able to cope with strenuous mountain hiking, temperature extremes, long hours, and high altitudes. For more information, contact the appropriate coordinator listed below.

Studying Roosting and Foraging Site Selection in Forest Bats of Oregon

Assist the Weyerhaeuser Company, Bureau of Land Management, and U.S. Forest Service with netting, trapping, identifying, and radiotracking bats to determine roosting and foraging relationships in a managed forest on the McKenzie Watershed near Springfield, Oregon. Volunteers should be able to hike through rugged terrain and work for long hours. Rabies pre-exposure vaccinations are required to assist biologists with netting and handling bats. Reimbursement for vaccination, as well as housing, vehicles, and a per diem are provided.

Contact: Ed Arnett, Wildlife Research Biologist, Weyerhaeuser Company, P.O. Box 275, Springfield, OR, 97477; Tel: (541) 741-5536; Fax: (541) 741-5589; E-mail: arnette@wdni.com.

Studying Maternity Roost Selection in Forest Bats of New Mexico

Assist U.S. Forest Service biologists with netting and radiotracking bats to identify maternity roosts and foraging habitat for three bat species: fringed myotis, long-legged myotis, and long-eared myotis. Volunteers will be working in the pinyon-juniper habitats of the Cibola National Forest near Magdalena, two hours outside of Albuquerque. Housing, vehicles, and a per diem are provided.

Contact: Alice Chung-MacCoubrey, USFS Rocky Mountain Experimental Station, 2205 Columbia Southeast, Albuquerque, NM, 87106; Tel: (505) 766-2384.

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