



Seattle-based Citizen Wildlife Monitoring Intern Spring-Summer 2019 (February - June)

About Conservation Northwest

"Keeping the Northwest wild" since 1989, Conservation Northwest champions iconic wildlife and protects, connects, and restores wildlife and wild areas from the Washington Coast to the British Columbia Rockies for the benefit of people and wildlife.

Conservation Northwest leads the [Citizen Wildlife Monitoring Project \(CWMP\)](#), organizing citizen-scientist volunteers to monitor and document wildlife using remote cameras where state and federal agencies don't have the resources to go, from the Washington Cascades to the Kettle Crest to southern British Columbia.

Confirming the presence of rare carnivores and other animals informs land management decisions upon which our wildlife depend. It also helps guide our conservation programs and priorities, and those of state and federal agencies.

The Citizen Wildlife Monitoring Project also runs a winter project in collaboration with [Wilderness Awareness School](#). Project volunteers participate in winter snow tracking, documenting wildlife track and sign, to inform project partners and State agencies of the species presence along the I-90 corridor.

Citizen Wildlife Monitoring Project Internship

The Citizen Wildlife Monitoring Project Internship provides you with hands-on wildlife monitoring experience, as well as behind-the-scenes engagement with a citizen-science project and experience in data entry and project coordination. It will include learning winter wildlife tracking, managing a volunteer remote camera team by maintaining remote camera installations, participating in and preparing field and training materials for our annual volunteer training, field work, identifying native wildlife to the PNW, and managing & entering photo data. This internship's primary function is to provide direct support to our Citizen Wildlife Monitoring Project staff in the Seattle office, technical advisers and volunteers in the field.

Duties

- Manage all incoming data from spring and summer remote camera sites using Google Drive, Lightroom and our online database.
- Enter and organize data from the monitoring season.
- Confirm map coordinates are accurate.

- Maintain camera installations for at least one survey area over the summer and manage a volunteer team. Survey area is determined by Intern and Program Coordinator. Occasionally fill in for volunteers on camera checks.
- Work with Program Coordinator and remote camera teams to coordinate logistics and equipment needs throughout the spring and summer.
- Share our season's best wildlife photos via Flickr.
- Write a post for Conservation Northwest's blog, "Scat!"

Timeline/Compensation

- Begins the 4th week of January for training; 4 - 6 month commitment, flexible
- 15 hours/week, flexible to fit your schedule
- Compensation: College credit for applicable programs and cutting edge experience, letters of recommendation and connections to others in the field of conservation biology;
- Applications may be received at any time; interviews will be prioritized to those received first and continue until position is filled.

Skills Required

- Coursework in wildlife conservation, restoration, biology and/or land and resource management
- Summer field experience – comfortable spending a day in the backcountry
- Excellent attention to detail, organized and task-oriented
- Ability to work independently
- Comfortable managing a team of volunteers
- Ideally, access to a vehicle for travel to accommodate some field work
- Experience with Google Drive data storage and Lightroom (preferred but not required)
- Strong skills in ArcGIS (preferred but not required)

Management

- Laurel Baum, Citizen Wildlife Monitoring Project Coordinator: internship supervision
- Dave Moskowitz, Technical Lead: wildlife and data expert

To Apply

Send all application materials directly to Laurel Baum at lbaum@conservationnw.org with subject line "Citizen Wildlife Monitoring Internship Application."

Application Materials:

- Résumé
- One page Cover Letter expressing why you are interested in this internship and why you are a good fit
- One page writing sample
- Optional: applicable course list