



Citizen Wildlife Monitoring Project Intern

Seattle – Feb – June 2020

About Conservation Northwest

Keeping the Northwest Wild since 1989, Conservation Northwest (CNW) protects old-growth forests and other wildlands, connects large landscapes and vital habitats, and restores native wildlife. Our approximately 20 staffers represent 4,000 dues-paying members in Washington, British Columbia and beyond.

CNW leads the Citizen Wildlife Monitoring Project (CWMP), organizing community-scientist volunteers to monitor and document wildlife using remote cameras and wildlife tracking among other techniques from the Washington Cascades to the Kettle River Range 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 snow tracking project in collaboration with [Wilderness Awareness School](#). Project volunteers document wildlife track and sign to inform project partners and State agencies of species presence along the I-90 corridor between Denny Creek, Snoqualmie Pass, and Easton, near where new wildlife crossings are being implemented.

Conservation Northwest is an equal opportunity employer committed to creating an inclusive workplace that represents the diversity of our community. Women, people of color, and LGBTQIA+ individuals are encouraged to apply.

Citizen Wildlife Monitoring Project Internship

The Citizen Wildlife Monitoring Project (CWMP) Internship provides you with hands-on wildlife monitoring experience, as well as experience behind-the-scenes in data entry and project coordination. It will include managing and entering photo data and our project's research database, becoming an expert on research protocols, preparing field and training materials, maintaining remote camera installations in the field with a volunteer team, creating maps of our monitoring sites, and assisting with our annual volunteer training. The internship is designed to be highly flexible, accommodating other work or school commitments.

This internship's primary function is to provide direct support to our Citizen Wildlife Monitoring Project staff in our Seattle office as well as technical advisers, and volunteers in the field. The intern will gain a strong understanding of how a community science and volunteer based project works.

Duties

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- Assist with preparing our year's data for our annual report to our Advisory Council members
- Manage all incoming data from spring and early summer remote camera sites using Google Drive and Lightroom.
- Maintain a high quality of species identification and meta-data in all project data received.
- Maintain camera installations for at least one survey area over the summer. Survey area is determined by Intern and Program Coordinator. Occasionally fill in for volunteers on camera checks.
- Communicate with volunteers and ensure data is accurate.
- Confirm map coordinates are accurate
- Work with Program Coordinator and remote camera teams to coordinate logistics and equipment needs throughout the spring training and summer.
- Assist with logistical planning of the spring remote camera training and season.
- Share our season's best wildlife photos via Flickr.
- Write a post for Conservation Northwest's *Wild Northwest* blog.

Timeline/Compensation

- Position to be filled at earliest convenience; four - six month commitment
- 15 hours/week
- Compensation: This is a volunteer position, travel expenses will be reimbursed

Skills Required

- Coursework in wildlife conservation and/or 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
- Strong skills in ArcGIS (preferred but not required)
- Experience with Google Drive data storage and Lightroom (preferred but not required)
- Ideally, access to a vehicle for travel to accommodate some field work

Management

- Laurel Baum, Citizen Wildlife Monitoring Program Coordinator, internship supervisor
- David 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."

Desired 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

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