



The INSTITUTE for BIRD POPULATIONS

POSITION AVAILABLE: POINT COUNT FIELD BIOLOGIST

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Open until filled

We have two openings during spring/summer 2019 for a point count project at Fort AP Hill, Virginia.

PROJECT DATES: Approximately **late April – early June** (exact start date TBD)

RESPONSIBILITIES: On a typical day, working in a team of two, biologists will wake up before dawn drive and hike to a point count transect starting point. Over the course of the next several hours, biologists will hike to points along a transect, recording all birds seen and heard. Point counts will generally conclude by about 11:00 am each day. Additional work will be spent entering data, planning for the next day's work, etc. The work is physically demanding, sometimes involving hiking several miles per day, in areas with ticks, mosquitoes, bears and other field hazards. Candidates must be in very good physical condition, and must be comfortable with off-trail hiking and orienteering. Applicants must provide their own transportation to the work site at Fort AP Hill, Virginia, but will be provided with a work vehicle once there. Lodging will be provided free of charge.

REQUIRED SKILLS and EXPERIENCE: Candidates **MUST** have previous experience conducting avian point counts, and be able to identify Southeastern U.S. birds by sight and (especially) by call and song.

COMPENSATION: These positions are considered independent contractors, not IBP staff. Biologists will receive payment of \$2,500 per month, but no fringe benefits. See below to apply.

TO APPLY:

Submit a cover letter, resume, and contact information for 3 references (all as a single attachment) to:

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Please put **Fort AP Hill Point Count Position** in the subject line.