Advertisement: Lab Technician – Arthropod ID for Mesic Sagebrush Restoration

Agency: Montana State University – Bozeman, Dept. of Ecology in cooperation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Project: Broadly we are focused on understanding the efficacy of restoration treatments aimed to retain and spread water/snow melt in sagebrush systems. Specifically, we are interested in 3 primary questions. 1) how do vegetation cover and structure respond to the installation of mesic restoration structures, 2) how does arthropod productivity and diversity respond to the installation of restoration structures, and 3) How do known plant and arthropod sage-grouse chick food resources change in treated compared to control areas?

Application Deadline: Applications are due by 13 Sep 2019. However, a selection will be made as soon as a qualified candidate is identified.

Responsibilities: The selected candidate will identify and measure arthropod samples collected in the field, as well as assisting with data entry.

Required Qualifications:

Candidates should be working towards a degree in ecology, entomology, or a related field.

Above all, I am seeking a positive, hard-working, results-oriented individual with an ability to solve problems and get the job done in an effective manner.

Desired Qualifications:

- Experience/coursework in identifying common families of Coleoptera, Lepidoptera, and Orthoptera
- Previous experience entering data into Microsoft Access

Terms of Appointment: Applicant will ideally be eligible for a Work Study appointment. Position will begin as soon as a qualified candidate is selected and will run through most of the semester. Pay will be $12/hour for a maximum of 20 hours/week.

To Apply: Email a cover letter specifying interests and qualifications, a resume/CV, and contact information for 3 to 4 references to: thomas.sutton1988@gmail.com. Emailed files should include the applicant’s last name and something relating to the position (ex: sutton_lab_technician.pdf). Applications will be processed as they are received. Application processing will continue until the ideal candidate is selected.