

EXCITING FIELD OPPORTUNITY:
RAPTOR MIGRATION OBSERVER IN SW MONTANA

(September 19, 2018)

MONTANA RAPTOR MIGRATION OBSERVER needed IMMEDIATELY to conduct 28th consecutive count for the Bridger Mountain Raptor Migration Monitoring Project (15 miles northeast of Bozeman, MT). This survey began 27 August, and will be continued each day (weather permitting) through 10 November 2018. (PLEASE NOTE: Two observers were successfully recruited months ago, but unfortunately one has resigned for personal reasons.) The successful candidate will be recruited as a volunteer, and will receive a daily per diem rate of \$40-50, depending on experience. (Per diem payments are NOT subject to income tax, and are provided biweekly.)

Applicants must have superb visual acuity, be in good physical condition, relish long hours in the field with variable weather conditions (including cold temperatures and strong winds), and be able to work effectively as a team member with one other co-worker. Most importantly, the applicant must possess outstanding in-flight identification skills for all western diurnal raptor species.

The two-observer team will conduct daily, standardized (minimum 8 hours/day) counts of the migration. Weather permitting, observers will generally work 6 days/week, with additional observer support provided by local, highly qualified volunteers. A ski patrol cabin is available for onsite overnight accommodations atop the Bridgers (8600-ft. elevation) at no charge (courtesy of Bridger Bowl Ski Area). The successful candidate must provide his/her own high-quality binoculars and suitable (warm!) field clothing.

PLEASE submit cover letter, resume and 2-3 references (with phone numbers and email addresses), and dates of availability to: swhoffman0322@gmail.com. If you have questions about this opportunity Steve Hoffman welcomes your call (406-461-5714). Applications will be reviewed upon receipt, and we are hopeful the successful candidate will be available to begin observing promptly.