



Summer Internship Opportunity with USFWS Mexican Wolf Recovery Project

We are recruiting one summer intern to work with the USFWS Mexican Wolf Recovery Project from **May 17 and August 13, 2021**. The first 10-14 days will consist of training (e.g., aviation safety, telemetry monitoring, defensive driving training, etc.) at Alpine, AZ. Thereafter, all work will be carried out from Alpine or Pinetop, AZ and remote camping locations. Work may consist of monitoring wolf movements; set up and monitoring of remote cameras and diversionary food caches, surveying for uncollared wolves, assisting with trap lines, data collection and management; collecting fecal samples at rendezvous sites and other opportunities as they arise. There are also opportunities to continue this internship as a research project in Fall 2021 by conducting genetic analyses of fecal samples collected in summer 2021 to assist the Mexican wolf program and the Waits lab with genetic monitoring.

Minimum qualifications: The applicant should be in excellent physical health and hold a current drivers license. He/she must be able to work independently and with a team and demonstrate a good level of flexibility. Work is often in remote areas with extreme environmental conditions. Long, irregular hours can be anticipated. Applicants working towards a Bachelors degree in wildlife biology are desirable. Experiences in backcountry travel, map and compass use, wildlife or wolf handling and tracking, ranching, hunting and trapping are helpful. Remote backcountry hiking and camping experience, radio-telemetry, 4WD vehicle operation, and good communication skills are preferred. The applicant must be willing to represent the views and goals of the USFWS, Mexican Wolf Program to cooperators and the public, and adhere to the Service's code of conduct and ethics.

Financial Support for Intern: The US Fish and Wildlife Service will provide housing. Wildlife majors and minors selected for this unpaid internship will receive a stipend (\$3500) and travel allowance (up to \$500) from **Gratson Fellowship Funds**. These funds are not available to other majors.

Application Requirements: Interested applicants should submit: 1) a letter of interest, 2) a resume which includes contact information for 3 references, and 3) unofficial transcripts in a single PDF to Kim Stout (kstout@uidaho.edu) by Monday January 25.

Additional questions: Contact Lisette Waits: lwaits@uidaho.edu, 885-7823 or Allison Greenleaf, allison_greenleaf@fws.gov and (928) 215-1098 (email preferred)

For more information on the USFWS Mexican Wolf Recovery Program see: <https://www.fws.gov/southwest/es/mexicanwolf/>