AVIAN FIELD TECHNICIAN WITH AMERICAN BIRD CONSERVANCY

Location: Laysan Island, Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument.

Duration: 6 months (middle March 2012 - middle September 2012).

Salary: \$2,100/month plus food and housing on Laysan.

Number of Openings: 1.

Application Deadline: 2 January 2012.

JOB DESCRIPTION: Field assistant needed to monitor the survival, breeding, movements, and behavior of Millerbirds that were recently translocated to Laysan Island. Primary duties include resighting color-banded birds, spot mapping, nest searching and monitoring, limited mistnetting and radio-telemetry. Field assistant will conduct data entry on Laysan, communicate effectively with ABC and USFWS supervisors in Honolulu via email and satellite phone, produce regular reports, and assist with considerable pre- and post-voyage activities. The candidate will work collaboratively with other members of the camp to maintain the field facility and assist with other restoration activities including, but not limited to, habitat restoration and monitoring Laysan Duck and Laysan Finch populations.

QUALIFICATIONS: Applicants must be in excellent physical health with outstanding hearing and vision, be able to tolerate extreme heat and isolation, and the stress of working in a densely populated seabird colony. Applicants must be highly independent and self-motivated and comfortable living on a small, remote atoll in the Pacific with limited outside contact for 6 months. Travel to Laysan involves a 4-day sea voyage that is often difficult. Applicant must pay their own way to Honolulu, Hawaii. Preference given to candidates with experience working with endangered passerines and working in seabird colonies.

TO APPLY: send CV, cover letter, and contact information for three references to CHRIS FARMER (EM: cfarmer AT abcbirds DOT org); please include "Millerbird Tech" as subject.