POINT COUNT TECHNICIANS needed to conduct tidal-marsh bird research along the New England and mid-Atlantic coasts! Technicians will support a large-scale project called SHARP: Saltmarsh Habitat & Avian Research Program, which investigates the status and distribution of tidal-marsh birds along the northeastern US coast. Particular emphasis is placed on Saltmarsh Sparrow, Seaside Sparrow, Nelson’s Sparrow, Willet and Clapper Rail. See www.tidalmarshbirds.org for more information on SHARP.

Technicians will conduct passive and callback point-count surveys for marsh birds in selected tidal marshes. Saltmarsh vegetation surveys will also be conducted at each location. Positions are available in Maine, Massachusetts, Rhode Island/Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, and Delaware. Ideal applicants will have prior experience with point-count and callback surveys and will be willing to work long hours in remote marshes under harsh field conditions (biting insects, deep mud and heat). All applicants must have a valid driver’s license, a good driving record, a good sense of humor and the ability to adjust to varying schedules throughout the field season. Applicants must also have a working knowledge of northeastern bird identification by sight and sound. A general knowledge of marsh vegetation will also be helpful. New Jersey and Delaware positions require significant motorboat experience; applicants should describe boat experience in their cover letter and include an additional reference that can attest to boating skills.

Housing and vehicles will be available for all positions. Salary starts at $1,920/month.

Positions will begin early May 2020 and conclude late July - early August 2020. To apply, please send a resume and cover letter with three references to: info AT tidalmarshbirds.org. Please include “POINT COUNT” in subject line of email and specify desired state/s.