

# Friends of Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge

## Live Cam Community Monitor

### Job Description

Friends of Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge (FONWR), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization located in Oak Harbor, Ohio, is seeking volunteers who enjoy wildlife observation and social media engagement to help monitor refuge live cameras and share notable wildlife activity with the online community.

#### **JOB TITLE**

Live Cam Community Monitor

#### **LEVEL**

Assistant

#### **ACCOUNTABILITY**

Reports to the Executive Director and collaborates with volunteers.

#### **TIME COMMITMENT**

Flexible based on volunteer availability. Approximately 8 hours per month, with optional additional participation during peak wildlife activity times.

#### **JOB SUMMARY**

Support digital engagement and wildlife storytelling efforts by monitoring Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge live camera feeds and sharing screenshots or observations of notable wildlife activity within the Ottawa NWR Live Cam Community group on Facebook.

#### **DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

Specific duties include:

- Periodically monitor designated Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge live camera feeds
- Capture screenshots of interesting wildlife behavior, rare sightings, or notable natural events
- Share posts within the Ottawa NWR Live Cam Community group highlighting observations
- Provide brief, positive descriptions or context for shared wildlife moments
- Help foster respectful and engaging online discussion among community members
- Alert staff or moderators to significant wildlife sightings or technical concerns when observed
- Assist in building an informal visual record of wildlife activity at the refuge
- Other duties as agreed upon by the Executive Director and volunteer

## **SKILLS NEEDED**

- Interest in wildlife observation and conservation
- Comfort using Facebook and basic screenshot tools
- Ability to communicate clearly and positively online
- Attention to detail and observational curiosity

## **INTER-RELATIONSHIPS**

Regular interaction with FONWR staff, live cam moderators, and members of the Ottawa NWR Live Cam Community.

## **WORKING CONDITIONS**

- Volunteer activities completed remotely using personal computer or mobile device
- Flexible participation based on volunteer schedule
- Increased activity opportunities during nesting seasons, migration, or notable wildlife events

## **COMPENSATION**

- Satisfaction in helping connect thousands of viewers to real-time wildlife experiences
- Opportunity to contribute to conservation storytelling and public engagement
- Recognition as part of FONWR's digital volunteer team
- Front-row virtual seat to some of the refuge's most exciting wildlife moments

## **NEEDED ATTRIBUTES**

- Positive and respectful online presence
- Reliability and good judgment when sharing wildlife content
- Enthusiasm for nature and community engagement
- Commitment to representing FONWR in a welcoming and educational manner

## **CONTACT**

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