

**Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge
Volunteer Position Announcement 2016**

Position Title: Resource Monitoring and Management Volunteer

Location: Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge, AK

Dates: April 19 – September 30, 2016

Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, is looking for one volunteer to serve in a two-person crew that will assist resource monitoring and management between April 19 and September 30. This opportunity exposes volunteers to a range of habitat management projects throughout the nearly 2 million acre Kodiak Refuge. Successful applicants should be fit and able to carry a loaded 30-pound pack for hours at a time in inclement weather and over uneven terrain, deal with frequent inclement weather and biting insects; readily handle camping and fieldwork in remote areas; and contribute a positive attitude to the work team. Applicants must be at least 18 years of age, a US resident, and have previous experience with the use of firearms.

The crew will spend the first two weeks involved in orientation, training, and preparation for fieldwork, including bear awareness, firearms safety, aviation safety, and pesticide applicator certification. Thereafter they will assist invasive plant management, including herbicide application; research of berry-producing shrubs important to brown bear; and maintenance of automated stream and river temperature monitoring stations.

The Fish and Wildlife Service will pay round-trip airfare to Kodiak; provide shared housing and provide a small living allowance when in Kodiak; and pay all field mission costs except personal clothing. For additional information about volunteering in Kodiak, please visit our website: http://www.fws.gov/refuge/Kodiak/get_involved/volunteer.html

To apply: Submit a **single document** with a cover letter expressing your interest and academic/work experience qualifications, resume, and 3 references with email and phone contact information to Bill Pyle, bill_pyle@fws.gov (supervisory wildlife biologist) **and** Lisa Hupp, Lisa_Hupp@fws.gov (volunteer coordinator). **Application Deadline: January 15, 2016.** Position may be filled as qualified applicants are identified.