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**Subject:** Field Technician Positions - Amphibian occupancy and Prothonotary Warbler breeding ecology

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Drs. Lesley Bulluck, James Vonesh, and Cathy Viverette in the Department of Biology and the Center for Environmental Studies at Virginia Commonwealth University along with Dr. Kristine Grayson in the Department of Biology at the University of Richmond are seeking applications for two field technician positions to start March 2015. This is a 4 – 5 month position with some flexibility on start and end dates.

The successful applicants will participate in a collaborative project involving (1) amphibian occupancy surveys and (2) evaluation of prothonotary warbler breeding ecology. Field work will take place at Fort A.P. Hill, situated approximately mid-way between Richmond and Washington D.C. A \$1200/month stipend and local housing and transportation will be provided during the field season.

Both positions require prior experience in the field, navigational skills, and a high tolerance for wet, hot, buggy coastal plain conditions.

Especially desirable skills for the amphibian position include prior experience in capturing and identifying amphibians in the Eastern United States and the ability to work at night and on a flexible schedule.

Especially desirable skills for the warbler position include some prior experience mist netting/banding of birds, taking detailed field observations of behavior, and conducting bird point count surveys.

Interested persons should initially email a letter of interest with a resume with relevant experience and contact information for three references to Dr.

Lesley Bulluck ([lpbulluck@vcu.edu](mailto:lpbulluck@vcu.edu)) for the warbler position or Dr. Kristine Grayson ([kgrayson@richmond.edu](mailto:kgrayson@richmond.edu)) for the amphibian position. Applications will be considered starting November 15th.