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POSITION : Volunteer Aviation Assistant/Wildlife pilot

ORGANISATION: African Parks – South Sudan

LOCATION : South Sudan REPORTING TO : Chief Pilot

EXPECTED START DATE: As Soon As Possible

BACKGROUND:

African Parks is a non-profit conservation organization that takes on the complete responsibility for the rehabilitation and long-term management of national parks in partnership with governments and local communities. We currently manage 22 national parks and protected areas in 12 countries covering over 20 million hectares in: Angola, Benin, Central African Republic, Chad, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Malawi, Mozambique, Republic of Congo, Rwanda, Zambia, Zimbabwe and South Sudan.

Boma and Bandingilo National Parks are located in South Sudan's equatorial region with a combined area of 30, 000 KM². The parks host the second largest wildlife migration in the Africa that covers over 120,000 KM2, and provide habitat for large populations of hartebeest, buffalo, elephant, giraffes and lions.

JOB OVERVIEW:

We are looking for an enthusiastic person, with a minimum of a PPL license, although a CPL would be preferred, to join our fast-growing aviation team to work in a challenging and remote area. This role will require the incumbent to help with fuel management, refueling of aircraft, cleaning of aircraft and hangar, maintenance and cleaning of tools, flight planning, to help with all aspects of our aviation, including flying as trainee pilot/copilot, for low level game surveys and Parks environment flights. Candidate will hopefully achieve full CPL pilot status, trained in all aspects of wildlife and Parks flying.

MAIN ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Assist pilots in all aspects of aviation and fleet management
- Act as co-pilot/ trainee pilot on survey and logistics flights
- · Help with aircraft maintenance, cleaning, refueling
- Help with any work that needs to be done on aircraft
- Help with flight planning and flight plans, and aircraft documentation.
- Assist appointed maintenance engineers on site.
- Knowledge of Cessna, Rotax engines and LSA / ULM maintenance would be an asset

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- When the trainee is not flying or working for aviation, he is expected to support the project regular operations (such as but not limited to, support in logistics, administration, IT, training of staff, sourcing of materials, act as a driver etc.).
- Carry out any other relevant tasks that may be assigned from time to time by the Park Manager / FOM / Aviation supervisor / Pilot

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE:

- Aviation background, holding a minimum of a Private Pilot License
- Valid Class 1 medical certificate;
- Desired LSA / ULM aircraft experience;
- Experience in bush flying and remote operations would be an asset
- Willing to be based in a remote area with minimal infrastructure and support
- Experience doing routine maintenance of aircraft (as allowed for in the applicable Civil Aviation Regulations and the African Parks Aviation SOPs) would be an asset
- Minimum 100 hrs flight time
- Excellent organizational, analytical, oral and written communications skills in English;
- Strong initiative, perseverance, and resilience;
- Good team player with experience working with multicultural teams.
- Strong personal integrity and dependability
- Knowledge and passion for conservation and wildlife
- Strong commitment to safe, efficient and compliant remote aerial operations.

WHAT SUCCESS LOOKS LIKE:

- Fully functional, safe and legally compliant aerial operations with:
- Fully qualified, trained commercial pilot, trained in all aspects of wildlife flying
- Responsibility for the maintenance oversight of organizations' aircraft.
- Zero preventable incidents / accidents and exemplary safety record

HOW TO APPLY:

To apply, please email your CV and cover letter to <u>ssrecruitment@africanparks.org</u> or hand delivery to **African Parks office Thonping**, **Synergy Suites – Plot No 849**, **Block No 3-K South** by **Tuesday**, **7**th **November 2023**. Please mention the position name in the subject line of the email.

In case you do not hear from us within two weeks after the closing date, this means that your application was not successful. We thank you for your interest in working for African Parks.