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## **Mono Basin Scientific Research Needs Your Help!**

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### **For Immediate Release**

Volunteers are needed to help the Mono Lake Committee ready the new Mono Basin Science Field Station. Originally part of the Kings Inn Motel in Lee Vining, the newly named field station and 15 other units were purchased in 2003 by the Mono Lake Committee as part of the Committee's ongoing capital campaign program to establish funding for a new outdoor education center, provide research facilities for Mono Basin scientists, generate more efficient office space for Committee staff, and create endowments to insure the longevity of the Committee's policy programs.

Six ornithologists and one geologist have already reserved space for the upcoming spring and summer months, so the Mono Lake Committee is looking for enthusiastic helpers for a variety of projects such as painting, drywall installation, cleaning, carpentry, roofing, carpet-laying, cabinetry, plumbing, and general handy-person support! If you can't provide hands-on participation

but would still like to help, you can contact Craig Pyle, the Committee's Office Director, and discuss with him other ways that you could help the volunteers to complete this much needed project.

Starting on Earth Day, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, and going through May 2<sup>nd</sup>, the Field Station repair project will span 11 days, with 2 weekends included for those who have busy weekday schedules. A potluck cookout will be held on Saturday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, with hamburgers, veggie-burgers, and hotdogs provided. As in all past Mono Lake Committee events, a fun time is guaranteed for all participants, and you will have a chance to meet and interact with Mono Lake Committee staff and other Mono Lake advocates. If you are interested in helping, please contact Craig Pyle at [craigp@monolake.org](mailto:craigp@monolake.org) or call (760) 647-6595 to sign up and let him know your availability and skill levels so a work party schedule can be made prior to the start of the work event. Limited shared accommodations are available.

Photo Caption: Mono Lake Committee staff and "Miller", a friendly yellow Labrador, in front of the new Mono Basin Science Field Station. Photo by Mono Lake Committee

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