Road Watch is hiring a local field technician to conduct driving transects through the Crowsnest Pass to assist us in validating data collected by the Road Watch program. This research is being undertaken by Kylie Paul, a graduate student with the University of Montana in conjunction with the Road Watch project. The technician would be responsible for driving wildlife transects along Highway 3 from the BC border to Lundbreck approximately 25 times a month. The driving transects would be conducted during dawn and dusk (these hours will shift over seasons), and the technician would record information about the wildlife species observed adjacent to the highway and/or crossing the highway. Information recorded includes animal location using a GPS unit, species of animal, and distance of the animal from the highway.

The work requires multi-tasking while driving. We are therefore looking for a person who would be very comfortable driving, looking for wildlife, and recording information in low light levels and potentially high traffic levels. Good eyesight and a good driving record are required. Prior experience in wildlife biology is preferable but not required. Commitment to the job for the 10-month period and during the specific driving times is necessary.

An interview process will be conducted by Kylie and Janet at the end of July.

Wage: $20.00 hr and mileage (0.30 per km)
Duration: August 2006 - May 2007
Hours: approximately 50 hrs month

To apply: please send a resume and cover letter by July 15 2006 to Janet Quinn at jcquin@telus.net.