

PHEASANTS FOREVER & QUAIL FOREVER

The Habitat Organization

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Farm Bill Wildlife Biologist (2 positions)

Ohio

Location: Northwest and West-Central, OH

Application Deadline: September 1, 2014



Anticipated Start Date: October 6, 2014

Overview & Job Duties:

Work in a joint capacity with USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), Ohio Department of Natural Resources Division of Wildlife (DOW), and other partners to promote, accelerate enrollment, coordinate and implement the conservation provisions of the Federal Farm Bill and other related wildlife conservation programs. Positions will be housed in USDA Service Centers. Activities will include program promotion (workshops, one on one meetings), contract coordination, conservation planning, conservation plan modification, site assessment and reporting. Provide technical biological assistance for wildlife habitat enhancement techniques to private landowners and public organizations. Meet with local chapters of Pheasants Forever (PF) and Quail Forever (QF) and other local partners to influence habitat management efforts and participate in regional and statewide habitat meetings. Assist or coordinate activities and projects with other PF, QF, DOW and NRCS staff. This position will be an employee of, and supervised by Pheasants Forever, Inc., with daily instruction and leadership provided by NRCS and DOW.

Required Knowledge Skills and Abilities:

- Ability to communicate clearly and effectively with landowners and partner agencies.
- Ability to work independently with little supervision and with diverse clientele.
- Knowledge of wildlife ecology, grassland, wetland and early succession habitat management including the ability to utilize various habitat management tools in the development of management plans.
- Knowledge of conservation and wildlife programs provided by federal (i.e. Farm Bill, US Fish and Wildlife Service), state, & local entities. In addition, knowledge of how these programs are implemented in an agricultural landscape is desired.
- Excellent verbal and written communication.
- Strong organizational skills.
- Proficiency with ArcGIS and/or USDA Toolkit.
- Valid driver's license required; some use of personal vehicle may be required (mileage reimbursement provided).
- Must be able to obtain USDA Federal Security Clearance.

Education and Experience Preferred: A minimum requirement for this position is a Bachelor of Science Degree in Wildlife Management or closely related natural resources field. Proven experience working with USDA Farm Bill programs (CRP, CREP, ACEP, EQIP and CSP) is preferred.

Starting Salary: \$31,000 - \$34,000 + Health Benefits and Retirement Package

To Apply: Visit our website at: www.pheasantsforever.org/jobs

ONLY ON LINE APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED. Please include your cover letter, resume and 3 references as 1 word document or PDF file on the Recruitment website.

Contact: Kent Adams, East Region Director, kadams@pheasantsforever.org or (717)319-5575

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