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Habitat Specialist South Dakota

Application Deadline: June 17, 2022 Location: Watertown, SD

Anticipated Start Date: July 2022

<u>Overview</u>: This position represents a partnership between South Dakota Game, Fish & Parks (SDGFP) and Pheasants Forever (PF). The incumbent will conduct habitat management work on public wildlife management areas. They are full-time, permanent employee of Pheasants Forever and will receive daily leadership from SDGFP Field Managers. The position will be located at Watertown, South Dakota.

<u>Duties</u>: The incumbent will assist with all aspects of managing the assigned wildlife management area. Major responsibilities include:

- Directing, and implementing habitat management work on public wildlife areas; operation of farm equipment and prescribed fire experience important
- Procuring supplies and equipment;
- Participating in the construction, maintenance and repair of area buildings, equipment, and roads;
- Coordinating agricultural permits to insure positive benefits for wildlife;
- Providing public information;
- Participating in scientific field studies and surveys;
- Participating in training and evaluation of seasonal employees.
- Performs other related duties as assigned.

Required Knowledge Skills and Abilities:

- A basic understanding of environmental, agricultural and/or natural resource science. Education may be substituted for experience as determined relevant by the partners. Preference will be given to candidates that possess a bachelor's degree with an emphasis in wildlife management; Rx fire experience preferred.
- Ability to communicate clearly and effectively with colleagues and partner agencies;
- Ability to work independently with little supervision;
- Knowledge of wildlife ecology, wetland and grassland management including the ability to utilize various habitat management equipment and tools in the development of wildlife habitat;
- Excellent verbal/written communication and organizational skills;
- Successful applicants must also possess or be able to acquire a South Dakota CDL Operators License and an Herbicide Applicators License.

<u>Training and Experience Guideline</u>: Any combination of training and/or experience that will enable the applicant to possess the required knowledge, skills, and abilities. One year of work experience in a wildlife management related job. A general qualification guideline for this position is a Bachelor of Science Degree in Wildlife Management or closely related natural resources field and/or related field experience.

Salary: \$31,000-35,000 depending on experience and qualifications + benefits.

<u>To Apply: Please combine your cover letter, resume and three references</u> into a single Word document or PDF file before uploading to the "Resume" area of your application Visit our Recruitment website at: www.pheasantsforever.org/jobs (company benefits are also available to view here). Pheasants Forever is considered a federal contractor; therefore, we must ensure all employees, regardless of work location or job duties, are fully vaccinated for COVID-19. Upon employment you will be required to provide proof that you are fully vaccinated, proof of a valid medical exemption or legitimate religious objection.

<u>If you have questions about the position, contact</u>: Matt Morlock, SD/ND State Coordinator, mmorlock@pheasantsforever.org

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