
WILDLIFE JOB ANNOUNCEMENT:

Title: Wildlife/Open Lands Management Apprentice

Agency: USDA Forest Service

Location: Land Between the Lakes National Recreation Area, 100 Van Morgan Drive, Golden Pond, KY 42211, which includes 170,000 acres between Kentucky Lake and Lake Barkley in western Kentucky and Tennessee.

Job Description: One-year appointment. Over the course of one year, apprentice duties may include, but are not limited to: open lands and forest vegetation inventories, monitoring, and management; open lands management contract compliance inspections; threatened and endangered wildlife and plant species surveys; monitoring captive elk and bison herds; herbicide applications to control invasive plant species; wildlife/nuisance animal trapping and handling; collecting biological data at deer and turkey check stations; Global Position Systems (GPS) and Geographical Information Systems (GIS) data collection, storage, and use; inspection and survey data documentation and reports; National Environmental Policy Act analysis; project team leader responsibilities; and Proposed, Endangered, Threatened; and Sensitive species project assessment documentation. On the job cross-training opportunities include but are not limited to: environmental education programs; chainsaw work; training and participation in fire management activities; and archeology surveys. Work schedule will include occasional weekend, holiday, and odd-hours of work. This position is non-salary with no federal time-in-service status, leave, or related federal employee benefits, though a nontaxable \$200 weekly cost of living reimbursement is provided along with housing and utilities. During the one-year appointment, the apprentice will get on-the-job training and wildlife habitat management experience!

Qualifications: Applicants must be a US citizen and possess a bachelor's degree in wildlife biology/wildlife management or closely related science; must possess a valid driver's license with a good driving record; must be able to key and identify wildlife and plant species, use MS Excel and Word programs, work well with people, and have good oral and written communication skills. Should be self-motivated, able to work independently as well as on a team, be flexible to changing assignments, enjoy working outdoors, and be willing to perform physical work in various weather conditions, in remote locations, and being exposed to other aspects of working in nature. Experience with off-road driving; farming operations, wildlife and vegetation management techniques, and GPS/ArcGIS programs preferred. **To be considered, applicants must identify which wildlife apprenticeship they are applying** and send a resume/curriculum vitae, a minimum of three references, and their transcripts by email to sarahemoy@fs.fed.us or mail to: Sarah Moy, Land Between the Lakes, 100 Van Morgan Drive, Golden Pond, Kentucky 42211 by midnight 10/13/2016. Phone (270) 924-2064. Start date is flexible.

Salary: Weekly subsistence allowance of \$200 plus on-site housing and utilities. Office space and all job-related equipment and supplies provided.

Last Date To Apply: October 13, 2016 (midnight)

Starting Date: November 7, 2016 (flexible)

Website: <http://www.landbetweenthelakes.us/stewardship/wildlife-management>

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