
WILDLIFE JOB ANNOUNCEMENT:

Title: Wildlife Habitat and Facility 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 a year, apprentice duties may include, but are not limited to: monitoring and management of captive elk and bison herds and their habitat within two facilities; herbicide applications to control invasive species; open lands management inspections; training and participation in fire management activities; collecting biological data at deer and turkey check stations; contract inspections; field data collection and computer input; tractor operation; monitoring wildlife populations; environmental education; wildlife/nuisance animal trapping and handling; GPS use; writing National Environmental Policy Act documents and participating on interdisciplinary teams; and other miscellaneous maintenance and management activities. Will require occasional weekend, holiday, and odd-hours of work. Training opportunities include fire, All Terrain Vehicle, chainsaw, and others as available. 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. In return, apprentices can get a lot of good wildlife management related experience!

Qualifications: Applicants must be a US citizen and possess a bachelor's degree in wildlife biology or closely related science; must possess a valid driver's license with a good driving record; must be able to regularly lift 50 lbs, have good writing and communication skills, use MS Excel and Word, work well with people, and be self-motivated. Must be comfortable working around large animals and learn to operate a tractor. Should enjoy working outdoors and be willing to perform physical work in all weather conditions and in remote locations. Experience with off-road driving, tractor or other equipment operation and maintenance, livestock care, trapping, farming techniques, wildlife and plant identification, and animal handling preferred, as well as specialized training certificates or licenses in related fields, such as interagency wildfire, equipment use, wildlife techniques, herbicide application, etc. **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 ffowler@fs.fed.us or mail to: Curtis Fowler, Land Between the Lakes, 100 Van Morgan Drive, Golden Pond, Kentucky 42211 by midnight 10/13/2016. Phone (270) 924-2061. 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.landbetweenthe lakes.us/stewardship/wildlife-management>

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