

PHEASANTS FOREVER AND QUAIL FOREVER

The Habitat Organization

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Coordinating Wildlife Biologist- Project Implementation Coordinator

Application Deadline: September 6, 2023

Location: Ely, Nevada

Anticipated Start Date: October 2023



Overview: This position is part of a collaborative effort among the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Nevada Department of Wildlife (NDOW), US Fish and Wildlife Service, Intermountain West Joint Venture, and Pheasants Forever to further delivery and implementation of conservation efforts and increase education and outreach regarding hazardous fuels reduction and habitat improvement treatments of the BLM and partners. This position will provide technical assistance, which may include project recommendations and development, project oversight, contractor solicitation and oversight, and project monitoring, for the Ely BLM District Office (White Pine, Lincoln and Nye Counties) and partners to deliver conservation efforts on public and private lands. This position will be an employee of Pheasants Forever Inc. with daily instruction and leadership provided by the Ely NV, BLM Fuels Program Manager. This position will assist the Ely Regional Seed Warehouse in the duties as specified as needed.

This position will be located in Ely, NV and will require travel throughout Eastern Nevada. The incumbent is expected to work closely with BLM, NDOW, USFWS, NRCS, and other partners in the region.

Duties:

- Provide technical assistance (wildlife biology and range conservation focus) and guidance to landowners, government agencies, non-government organizations (NGO's) and others. Training will be provided by BLM, NRCS, IWJV, Pheasants Forever and other local and state agencies.
- Coordinate integration and application of biological sciences within the conservation programs in cooperation with the local BLM district & field office staff.
- Outreach, coordination and relationship-building with interested parties and stakeholders such as area ranchers, private landowners, local business-economic interests, non-governmental organizations, and local community groups (e.g., soil and water conservation districts, local area working groups, coordinated resource management groups, etc.). May include workshops, field tours, group presentations and conferences like at SRM, county/state fair, etc.
- Coordinate conservation efforts where possible to use Farm Bill conservation programs (i.e. EQIP, ACEP and CRP) requiring biological and rangeland science expertise in cooperation with NRCS and its partners.
- Work with various state and local agencies (including, but not limited to the Nevada Department of Wildlife, and Conservation Districts) to coordinate success stories and leverage support for visits, and develop contracts/plans for projects and participants.
- Coordinate and participate in field work activities for shrub-steppe and sage grouse habitat project implementation.
- Coordination assistance with state and federal agencies and local governments.
- Coordinate and track partnering agency contributions and assistance to vegetation treatments of the Ely District Office (EYDO) as well as seeding efforts of the Ely Regional Seed Warehouse (ERSW).
- Facilitate information and awareness on sagebrush conservation opportunities to partners and the BLM staff.
- Provide landscape-level conservation planning and project prioritization support to the BLM and partners.
- Technical assistance to support science-based project planning and design.
- Work with agencies and partners to develop, facilitate, and coordinate local contracts agreements, and volunteers.
- Oversight and documentation of project work and develop and track landscape project implementation schedules.
- Showcase information from past and current projects to the public (i.e. presentations showing pre and post data for vegetation and wildlife populations, kiosk displays, social media posts, etc.)

- Coordinate education and outreach activities for the public (special interest groups, stakeholders, classrooms K-12, etc.) representing both the EYDO Fuels Program and the ERSW.
- Assist the ERSW with seed mixing, sampling and testing, and inventory as needed.
- Perform other job-related duties as assigned by supervisor.

Required Knowledge Skills and Abilities:

- Ability to communicate clearly and effectively with landowners, partner agencies and the public.
- Ability to work independently with little supervision and with diverse clientele.
- Higher education in the fields of natural resources such as range, wildlife, ecology, etc. is preferred.
- Excellent verbal/written communication, coordination and organizational skills.
- Experience or education in designing presentations and presenting information using various formats such as PowerPoint, posters, kiosks, etc..
- Valid driver's license and skillset to drive at high elevation, and often remote locations, on a regular basis and occasionally during inclement weather.
- A general qualification guideline for this position is a Bachelor of Science Degree from an accredited university in a field applicable to the advertised position.
- Knowledge of computer skills is required, and applicant should be familiar with ARC GIS, Word and Excel.
- Physical ability to stand and walk for extended periods of time over rough terrain; lift and move material weighing up to 50 pounds; work in all types of weather conditions.
- Basic understanding/knowledge of the BLM agency, policy, planning, clearances, regulations, etc. is preferred.

Training and Experience Guideline: Any combination of training and/or experience that will enable the applicant to possess the required knowledge, skills and abilities. 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: \$45,000-\$55,000 + benefits, depending on experience

To Apply: Please combine your cover letter, resume and 3 references into 1 Word document or PDF file before uploading to the "Resume" area of your application on our Recruitment website at www.pheasantsforever.org/jobs If you have additional questions, please contact Al Eiden at aeiden@pheasantsforever.org or 602-513-6360

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