



Lesser Prairie Chicken Eco-regional Biologists Job Announcement

The Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies (WAFWA) is seeking up to **four (4)** Lesser Prairie Chicken Eco-regional Biologists. These positions will be based within the five states encompassing the range of the lesser prairie chicken - Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Kansas and Colorado. These positions are responsible for coordination and interaction with landowners and industry representatives regarding conservation efforts to maintain the species and the habitat they depend upon. These biologists monitor and report on the effectiveness of these efforts; collect, compile and analyze data; assess impacts to populations and habitats; review and consolidate management information and recommendations; conduct field inspections and develop assessment reports affecting habitat in the region; and maintain records and prepare reports on population data. These biologists will be supervised by the respective (landowner or industry) Lesser Prairie Chicken Service Director.

Minimum education is graduation from an accredited college or university with a Bachelor's degree in Biology, wildlife-related science or Range Management. Preferred qualifications include a Master's degree in the same fields. These Eco-regional Biologists must have 1-3 years of professional experience working on wildlife conservation efforts, endangered species issues, and/or Farm Bill programs; be adept at coordinating, facilitating, and summarizing meetings; have strong written and verbal communications skills and have the ability to work with a wide variety of individuals and entities at a national level. Experience with conservation planning and familiarity with USDA conservation practice standards would also be an asset.

Frequent travel is required.

The salary range for this position is \$40,000 - \$60,000 annually, plus fringe benefits.

Additional details concerning this position can be found on the WAFWA website at www.wafwa.org. **Application deadline – March 17, 2015.** Interested individuals should send a letter of interest and resume to the WAFWA Executive Secretary at larry.kruckenberg@wafwa.org.