Title: Ph.D. Assistantship

Agency: University of Tennessee, Department of Forestry, Wildlife, and Fisheries

Location: Knoxville, TN

**Duration:** January 1, 2019 – May 31, 2022

Position Description: Ph.D. research assistantship available for graduate student studying northern bobwhite responses to native grass grazing systems. The Center for Native Grasslands Management (<a href="http://nativegrasses.utk.edu/">http://nativegrasses.utk.edu/</a>) at the University of Tennessee is implementing a field experiment in cooperation with Natural Resources Conservation Service, Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources, and US Department of Defense that will be conducted near Richmond, KY. Incumbent will conduct research to determine adult and nest survival, habitat selection, and abundances for target grassland songbirds in the context of production-oriented grazing systems. Degree for successful candidate will be a Ph.D. in Natural Resources.

**Qualifications**: Applicants must be motivated with a good attitude and a strong work ethic. Well-developed oral and written communication skills are desired and the ability to work cooperatively within a team setting is required. Students with a strong interest in agro-ecology and conservation within working grassland systems are preferred. Applicants should possess a M.S. in Range Ecology/Management, Wildlife, or related field and a valid driver's license. A minimum GPA of 3.0 and GRE scores (Q+V) of 302 are required.

**Salary**: \$20,000 plus tuition waiver and health insurance

Last date to apply: Until qualified applicant is found

**Application Procedure**: Interested applicants should send a cover letter explaining their interest along with a CV, and GRE scores to the e-mail address below. Information on formal application as a Ph.D. candidate can be found at the Department's web page (http://fwf.ag.utk.edu).

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