



## MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION HOURLY JOB OPPORTUNITY

**Title:** Resource Science Assistant – Prairie-chicken Monitoring Coordinator

**Dates:** April 1 – through June 15, 2006 with potential for extension through spring 2007 pending funding (starting date negotiable).

**Pay Rate:** \$10.46 - \$12.05/hr depending upon experience and qualifications

**Hours:** 40 hrs/week

**Location:** Position will be stationed in Clinton with work occurring throughout southwestern, west-central, and northwestern Missouri.

**Duties:** Will be responsible for primary logistical coordination with Wildlife and Resource Science Division staff participating in the monitoring of restoration efforts for the greater prairie-chicken in Missouri. Duties will include: purchasing equipment and supplies; construction, calibration and maintenance of mobile telemetry systems; supervision of up to 2 hourly technicians responsible for vegetation structure and invertebrate sampling; coordination of prairie-chicken trapping and monitoring activities with Wildlife division staff; ensuring quality of field data and accurate transfer to an electronic database; and other duties as assigned to assist with ongoing projects.

**Qualifications:** Graduation from an accredited college or university with a Bachelor's Degree in Wildlife Science, Biological or Ecological Sciences, or closely-related major or an equivalent combination of education and experience; 1 year or 2 field seasons of experience (permanent or temporary) with sampling and taxonomic identification; ability to use personal computers including standard software such as Word, Excel, GroupWise, and PowerPoint; Missouri Driver's license or capability to attain one.

**Special Requirements:** Ideal candidate will have experience with radiotelemetry techniques, including null-peak receiving system operation; GPS receiver operation; GIS software; data management and analysis; and good organizational and communication skills. Some night work and overnight travel to field sites will be required. Demonstrated interest in prairie grouse conservation is highly desirable.

**Application:** Please send resume to contact below.

**Contact:** Brent Jamison, MDC-Grasslands Field Station, PO Box 368, Clinton, MO 64735, or [brent.jamison@mdc.mo.gov](mailto:brent.jamison@mdc.mo.gov) phone (660) 885-6981, fax (660) 885-5038

**Deadline for application:** Application must be *received* by 21 March, 2006 to begin on anticipated start date.