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### **Pheasants Forever & Quail Forever and partners hire Farm Bill Wildlife Biologist to help southeast Missouri landowners**

Chad Doolen will serve Perry, Bollinger, and Cape Girardeau counties

**JACKSON, Mo. – June 29, 2022** – Pheasants Forever and Quail Forever in Missouri is excited to share that Chad Doolen was hired for the Jackson, Mo., Farm Bill Wildlife Biologist II position. He started his new position June 13.

The Farm Bill Wildlife Biologists on the Missouri team are partnership positions supported by the Natural Resources Conservation Service, the Missouri Dept. of Conservation, and the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation. Doolen will work with private landowners in Perry, Bollinger, and Cape Girardeau counties helping them with wildlife management planning and securing funds to help implement those plans.

“Chad has several years of experience working with conservation partners on habitat and wildlife management projects,” said Missouri State Coordinator Andrew White. “He brings a great deal of knowledge to the position, and we’re excited to have him working in southeast Missouri to improve habitat for quail and other wildlife.”



Doolen is originally from Patterson, Mo., in Wayne County. Like many from rural Missouri, he spent hours outside hunting, hiking, and fishing. Throughout his education, he pursued studies in biological sciences earning a Bachelor of Science in Biology and Master of Science in Natural Science. Coupled with experiences working for MDC, the National Park Service, US Forest Service, and the National Wild Turkey Federation, Doolen has developed a strong background in natural history, ecology, and wildlife management. Personally, he and his wife raise Shetland Sheep in Bollinger County. Such has augmented his knowledge of natural and native systems with working lands for livestock operations. Using both backgrounds, Doolen hopes to help landowners develop and manage operations that meet the needs of agriculture, wildlife, and plant diversity.



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“I am thrilled to join the Missouri team and apply my professional and personal experiences with wildlife and working lands to my role as a Farm Bill Wildlife Biologist,” said Doolen. “This is an exciting opportunity to work with landowners and partners to manage habitat for wildlife in southeast Missouri!”

If you are interested in learning how to establish high quality wildlife habitat on your property or incorporate habitat on your working lands, contact Chad Doolen at [cdoolen@quailforever.org](mailto:cdoolen@quailforever.org) or 573-429-8225.

### About Pheasants Forever & Quail Forever

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