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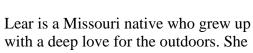
## Pheasants Forever & Quail Forever and partners hire Farm Bill Biologist to help southeast MO landowners

Emaily Lear will serve Madison, St. Francois, & Ste. Genevieve counties

**STE. GENEVIEVE, Mo. – March 8, 2023** – Pheasants Forever and Quail Forever in Missouri is excited to share that Emaily Lear was hired for the Ste. Genevieve, Mo., Farm Bill Wildlife Biologist II position. She started her new position March 6.

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. Lear will work with private landowners in Madison, St. Francois, and Ste. Genevieve counties helping them with wildlife management planning and securing funds to help implement those plans.

"Working for the Pheasants Forever in Kansas team means Emaily already has experience working with landowners and conservation partners on habitat and wildlife management projects," said Missouri State Coordinator Andrew White. "She is coming to this position in Missouri equipped with knowledge and ready to hit the ground running to improve habitat for quail and other wildlife!"





graduated from Missouri State University with a bachelor's degree in Wildlife Conservation and Management with a Certificate in Environmental Education. She joined the Pheasants Forever team in 2021 in northwest Kansas and is passionate about pollinator habitat and education & outreach. In her downtime she loves reading and spending time with her husband and young son outside.

"I'm so excited to continue my conservation efforts in my home state," said Lear. "I can't wait to meet all the new landowners and partners I get to work with to put good conservation efforts on the ground!"



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If you are interested in learning how to establish high quality wildlife habitat on your property or incorporate habitat on your working lands, contact Emaily Lear at <a href="mailto:elear@quailforever.org">elear@quailforever.org</a> or 573-883-2703 ext. 8078.

#### **About Pheasants Forever & Quail Forever**

<u>Pheasants Forever</u>, including its quail conservation division — <u>Quail Forever</u> — is the nation's largest nonprofit organization dedicated to upland habitat conservation. Pheasants Forever & Quail Forever have more than 130,000 members and 750 local chapters across the United States and Canada. Since creation in 1982, Pheasants Forever has spent over \$1 billion on 575,000+ habitat projects benefiting more than 24 million acres nationwide. Visit the <u>Pheasants Forever & Quail Forever in Missouri website</u> or follow us on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Instagram</u>, <u>Twitter</u> and <u>YouTube</u>.

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