

Pheasants Forever & Quail Forever and Partners hire Farm Bill Biologist to assist Northeast MO landowners

Ella Hamlin will serve Clark, Lewis, Knox, and Scotland counties

Kahoka, MO – August 30, 2024 – Pheasants Forever and Quail Forever in Missouri is excited to share that Ella Hamlin was hired for the Kahoka, MO, Farm Bill Wildlife Biologist position. She started her new position August 12th, 2024.

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. Hamlin will work with private landowners in Clark, Lewis, Knox, and Scotland counties, providing technical assistance and expertise in wildlife management planning and securing funds to implement those plans.

"Ella has been a stand-out intern for us this summer, and we're thrilled to have her expand her impact as the Farm Bill Biologist in Kahoka," Farm Bill Manager Haley Lockard stated. "Her background and ties to the region make her a wonderful resource to landowners in Northeast Missouri."

Ella was born and raised in Kirksville, Missouri, where she spent her time hunting and fishing.



Through spending time outdoors, she developed a great passion for wildlife. Ella graduated from Truman State University with a degree in Agriculture Sciences. After her summer internship with Quail Forever, she knew she wanted to continue conserving wildlife through habitat improvements, public access, conservation advocacy, and education. In her spare time, she loves to ride her horses, hunt, fish, and play with her dogs.

"I am very excited to be a part of the Quail Forever team and work with many other partners," said Ella. "I am thrilled to continue efforts in conserving wildlife for future generations to enjoy."



If you are interested in how to establish high quality wildlife habitat on your property or incorporate habitat on your working lands, contact Ella Hamlin at <u>ehamlin@quailforever.org</u> or (660)-727-2955 ext. 119

About Pheasants Forever & Quail Forever

<u>Pheasants Forever</u> and <u>Quail Forever</u> make up the nation's largest nonprofit organization dedicated to upland habitat conservation. This community of more than 420,000 members, supporters, and partners is dedicated to the protection of our uplands through habitat improvement, public access, education, and advocacy. A network of 754 local chapters spread across North America determine how 100 percent of their locally raised funds are spent — the only national conservation organization that operates through this grassroots structure. Since its creation in 1982, the organization has dedicated more than \$1 billion to 580,000 habitat projects benefiting 26.5 million acres.