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## Pheasants Forever and Quail Forever and partners hire Wildlife Biologist to help south central Missouri landowners

Farm Bill Wildlife Biologist to serve Wright, Texas and Howell counties

**HOUSTON, Mo. – June 20, 2021** – Pheasants Forever and Quail Forever in Missouri is excited to announce Lizzy Swindell was hired for the Houston, Mo., Farm Bill Wildlife Biologist II position. She started her new position May 17.

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. Lizzy will work with private landowners in Wright, Texas and Howell counties helping them with wildlife management planning and securing funds to help implement those plans.

"Having worked for MDC, Hamilton Native Outpost and the Texas County Soil & Water Conservation District, Lizzy brings a great deal of experience to her position and will hit the ground running," said Missouri State



Coordinator, Casey Bergthold. "With her passion for wildlife, strong work ethic and local relationships, this Texas county native is poised to make a big impact in Texas, Howell, and Wright counties."

Lizzy earned a B.S. in Conservation and Wildlife Management from Missouri State University in 2019. Before joining the Pheasants Forever and Quail Forever team, Lizzy worked for the Texas County Soil and Water Conservation District, Hamilton Native Outpost, and the Missouri Dept. of Conservation.



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"I have been blessed with the opportunity to serve landowners in the Ozarks and I could not be more thankful," Swindell said. "I am looking forward to helping landowners develop sustainable wildlife habitat in our area for generations to come."

If you are interested in learning how to establish high quality wildlife habitat on your property or incorporate habitat on your working lands, contact Lizzy at <a href="mailto:eswindell@quailforever.org">eswindell@quailforever.org</a> or 417-260-1246.

#### **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 138,000 members and 760 local chapters across the United States and Canada. Since creation in 1982, Pheasants Forever has spent over \$900 million on 550,000 habitat projects benefiting 19 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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