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Pheasants Forever & Quail Forever and partners hire new Senior Coordinating Wildlife Biologist to lead special initiative efforts

Jacob Swafford will support additional conservation delivery and provide leadership to CWBs in Missouri

COLUMBIA, Mo. – April 12, 2022 – Pheasants Forever and Quail Forever in Missouri is excited to announce that Jacob Swafford was hired to serve in the brand-new Senior Coordinating Wildlife Biologist (CWB) position. He started his new position April 11.

In partnership with the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service and Missouri Department of Conservation, Swafford will lead efforts on special initiatives, coordinate the implementation of wildlife habitat-related conservation programs, and provide leadership to CWBs in the state. He will work in a joint capacity with several key partners to promote, accelerate enrollment, and coordinate the conservation provisions of the Federal Farm Bill. In his new role, Swafford will be working statewide to assist PFQF in Missouri with exploring new partnership opportunities, and providing leadership to the growing team of amazing staff within the state.



“Having worked for Pheasants Forever & Quail Forever for over 10 years, Jacob brings extensive experience and unique perspectives to our team,” said Missouri State Coordinator, Andrew White. “We are so excited to have him serving in this new role, and with his diverse skill set and consistent demonstration of leadership, Jacob will have a huge impact on our conservation efforts in Missouri!”



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Swafford joined "The Habitat Organization" over 10 years ago. The Columbia, Mo., native grew up in an avid outdoors family, which shaped his passion for wildlife. He graduated from the University of Missouri with a B.S. in Fisheries & Wildlife and a B.S. in Forestry. Swafford served as a Farm Bill Biologist for 6 years, including 4 years in New Mexico, before taking the lead on Missouri's Monarch Butterfly Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP). He enjoys coordinating with passionate landowners and conservation partners to restore and enhance wildlife habitat.

"I'm thrilled to take on this new role for Quail Forever and am looking forward to working statewide to expand our conservation programs and incredible partnerships," said Swafford. "Missouri sets the bar high when it comes to conservation, and I'm excited to work on innovative ways we can do even more for our soil, water, and wildlife."

If you are interested in learning more about Coordinating Wildlife Biologists in Missouri, special initiatives, or wildlife habitat-related conservation programs, contact Swafford at jswafford@quailforever.org or 573-881-1224.

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