



# United States Department of the Interior

FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE  
Upper Mississippi River National Wildlife and Fish Refuge  
7071 Riverview Road  
Thomson, Illinois 61285



## VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

**Position:** Biological Science Technician (Wildlife) GS-404-04/05    **Salary:** \$12.95 per hour @ GS-5  
\$11.57 per hour @ GS-4

**Agency:** U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior

**Duty Location:** Upper Mississippi River National Wildlife and Fish Refuge, Savanna District, 7071 Riverview Road, Thomson, IL

**Vacancy Open Date:** 01/19/2009    **Closing Date:** 02/06/2009

**Vacancy Announcement #:** DS231212-FG

**Area of Consideration:** Applications will be accepted from all eligible applicants. Applications must be filed through the Office of Personnel Management, see instructions below.

**Type of Position:** Temporary, one year appointment that may be extended one additional year depending on funding. Full time, 40 hours per week with Monday - Friday work schedule from 7:30AM-4:00PM.

**Major Duties:** This position assists with the biological program on a National Wildlife Refuge with duties including: conducting wildlife and fish surveys; assist with waterfowl banding; conduct vegetative surveys and analysis; monitor and assist in control of pest plant and wildlife; conduct radio telemetry study of wildlife; assist in habitat improvement work consisting of mowing/seeding activities and vegetation removal; perform facility maintenance; and assist Refuge staff with various programs (visitor services, administrative, maintenance, law enforcement, and management).

**Qualification Requirements:** This position may be filled at the GS-04 or the GS-05 level.

**GS-04 Requirements:** You must have at least six months of general experience in work that provided a familiarity with wildlife and biological programs. OR You must have successfully completed two years of study that included at least 12 semester hours of biology, botany, or related science courses. OR You must have a combination of experience and education.

**GS-05 Requirements:** You must have at least one year of specialized experience that provided knowledge of wildlife duties. OR You must have successfully completed four full years of study leading to a bachelor's degree with major study or at least 24 semester hours in biological sciences. OR You must have a combination of education and type of experience to conduct biological duties.

At the GS-04 level the employee will perform the same range and type of duties as those of the GS-05, however, at the GS-04 level the employee will work under close supervision and guidance.

**How To Apply:** The vacancy is listed on the Office of Personnel Management website at:

<http://www.usajobs.opm.gov> Applications can be completed via email on this web site, or applications can be mailed or hand delivered in accordance with instructions listed on the web site. If you do not have access to email, you can call the refuge office at (815) 273-2732 to obtain a copy of the announcement or additional information.