



**United States Department of the Interior
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
CENTRAL ARKANSAS REFUGE COMPLEX
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Title: Summer 2011 Wildlife/Forestry Internships

Location: Central Arkansas Refuge Complex, Augusta, Arkansas

Description: Cache River National Wildlife Refuge is a 68,000-acre refuge located in northeast Arkansas and features some of the largest remaining tracts of bottomland hardwood forest within the Mississippi Alluvial Valley. This unique refuge provides critical habitat for waterfowl and other migratory and resident wildlife species. The refuge is characterized by extensive forested flats, shallow sloughs, meandering channels, lakes, and other wetlands, reforested lands, and farmed sanctuaries. Interns will work primarily at Cache River NWR; however, there are three other refuges in the complex; Bald Knob, Wapanocca, and Big Lake, and interns may have short-term assignments at these refuges as well.

Interns will be involved in wildlife management, forestry, and maintenance; duties will be shared. Work hours are variable (usually 7:30 to 4:00, Monday through Friday) and will average around 40 per week.

Major projects:

- Assist refuge biologist with multiple wildlife projects such as: rookery, marsh bird, night jar, and bullfrog surveys; wood duck, shorebird, and dove banding; moist soil area monitoring, seed estimation, and management; entering data using data recorders, GPS and GIS, and database management; assisting with bird point counts, and other duties related to wildlife management.
- Assist refuge forester with removal of beaver dams, herbicide control of invasive exotic plants, timber marking for habitat improvement, collection of forest habitat inventory data, and other duties related to forest habitat management.
- Assist refuge staff with boundary posting, vehicle and grounds maintenance, and other diverse duties as assigned.

Qualifications:

- Applicants must be pursuing a degree in wildlife biology, forestry, ecology, zoology, or related discipline, or be a recent graduate of these studies.
- Experience in conducting wildlife surveys and/or forest inventory preferred.
- Knowledge of general wildlife management techniques.
- Must be able to work out-doors withstanding hot temperatures, insects, snakes, etc.
- Desire to work hard and learn on the job.

Duration: Approximately 12 weeks, starting in early to mid May 2010.

Salary: Weekly stipend of \$200 and housing will be provided.

Last Day to Apply: Feb. 24th; please apply as soon as possible.

How to Apply: Applicants can mail, fax, or e-mail résumé (e-mail preferred). Résumé must include three references and should have a cover letter describing any pertinent experience and/or class work related to wildlife management, forestry, proficiency in MS Excel and Access database, GPS and GIS, and your interest in the position.

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