

Wildlife Summer Internship Positions Available for Summer 2027

Region 1 – Wildlife Damage Management and Research

Location: Clemson, SC

Housing Available: No

Description of Work Duties: The primary duty will consist of working as part of a team on a coordinated feral hog trapping and removal project on Keowee and Fant's Grove Wildlife Management Areas. Other duties will include assisting with wood duck and dove trapping and banding activities. The intern may also have opportunities to work with other Region 1 management units and gain experience with a variety of wildlife management activities throughout Anderson, Greenville, Oconee, Pickens, and Spartanburg counties.

Region 2 – HP Management

Location: Florence, SC

Housing Available: No

Description of Work Duties: Regional Heritage Preserve management activities include prescribed burning, burn site preparation, invasive vegetation control, trail and parking area maintenance, trash removal, gate painting, boundary posting, equipment maintenance and use (ATV, trailer, string trimmer, lawnmower, chainsaw, etc.) mainly in Darlington, Florence, Kershaw, Lancaster, and Lee counties.

Region 2 – WMA Habitat Management

Location: Florence, SC

Housing Available: Yes

Description of Work Duties: Regional management activities including a lot of agricultural work (tractor driving, disking, and planting), dove and duck banding, hog trapping, boundary posting, equipment maintenance (tractors, ATVs, implements) and other duties including lawn mowing and string trimming. These properties focus on manipulating upland habitat to grow food and provide other life-cycle habitat needs for the benefit of deer, turkey, doves, and other small game. There are some activities to benefit waterfowl in upland impoundments.

Region 3 – HP Habitat Management

Location: West Columbia, SC

Housing Available: No

Description of Work Duties: Regional Heritage Preserve management activities including prescribed burning, element surveys, exotic vegetation control, trail maintenance, hog trapping, dove/duck banding, boundary posting, data entry, equipment maintenance (tractors, ATVs, implements) and other duties across Region 3 (Newberry, Saluda, Lexington, Richland, Aiken, Allendale, Bamber, Barnwell, Sumter, Clarendon, Calhoun, and Orangeburg counties).

Region 4 – WMA Habitat Management (Upland Habitat Focused)

Location: Georgetown, SC (Georgetown County)

Housing Available: Yes

Description of Work Duties: Regional management activities including some agricultural work (tractor driving, disking, and planting), dove trapping, hog trapping, boundary posting, data entry, equipment maintenance (tractors, ATVs, implements) and other duties including lawn mowing and string trimming. These properties focus on manipulating upland habitat to grow food and provide other life-cycle habitat needs for the benefit of deer, turkey, doves, and other small game, with some agricultural work for wintering waterfowl. There are some activities related to nuisance bear management.

Region 4 – WMA Habitat Management (Waterfowl Focused)

Location: Georgetown, SC – Samworth WMA

Housing Available: Yes

Description of Work Duties: Regional management activities including a lot of waterfowl area work (disturbing vegetation to increase waterfowl food), agricultural work (driving tractors), dove trapping, boundary posting, data entry, equipment maintenance (boats, tractors, ATVs, implements) and other duties including lawn mowing and string trimming. Most days will require using a boat to access areas; therefore, boat experience is desired. These properties focus on manipulating vegetation and water levels to create quality food source for wintering waterfowl.

Region 4 – WMA Habitat Management

Location: Bonneau, SC (Berkeley County)

Housing Available: Yes

Description of Work Duties: Regional management activities including a lot of agricultural work (tractor driving, disking, and planting), dove trapping, hog trapping, boundary posting, data entry, equipment maintenance (tractors, ATVs, implements) and other duties including lawn mowing and string trimming. These properties focus on manipulating upland habitat to grow food for the benefit of deer, turkey, doves, and other small game. There are some activities to benefit waterfowl in upland impoundments.

Region 4 – WMA Habitat Management

Location: Cordesville, SC (Berkeley County)

Housing Available: Yes

Description of Work Duties: Regional management activities including a lot of agricultural work (tractor driving, disking, and planting), dove trapping, hog trapping, boundary posting, data entry, equipment maintenance (tractors, ATVs, implements) and other duties including lawn mowing and string trimming. These properties focus on manipulating upland habitat to grow food and provide other life-cycle habitat needs for the benefit of deer, turkey, doves, and other small game. There are some activities to benefit waterfowl in upland impoundments.

Region 4 – WMA Habitat Management

Location: Green Pond, SC (Colleton County)

Housing Available: Yes

Description of Work Duties: Regional management activities including a lot of agricultural work (tractor driving, disking, and planting), dove trapping, hog trapping, boundary posting, data entry, equipment maintenance (tractors, ATVs, implements) and other duties including lawn mowing and string trimming. These properties focus on manipulating upland habitat to grow

food and provide other life-cycle habitat needs for the benefit of deer, turkey, doves, and other small game. There are some activities to benefit waterfowl in fresh and brackish impoundments.

Region 4 – WMA Habitat Management

Location: Bennetts Point, SC – Bear Island WMA (Colleton County)

Housing Available: Yes

Description of Work Duties: Regional management activities including waterfowl area work (disturbing vegetation to increase waterfowl food), agricultural work (driving tractors with mowers, disks, or planters), dove trapping, boundary posting, data entry, equipment maintenance (boats, tractors, ATVs, implements) and other duties. This property focuses on manipulating vegetation and water levels to create quality food source for wintering waterfowl. Upland habitat management may include invasive species management and agricultural work for the benefit of deer, turkey, and small game. Other duties will include lawn mowing and string trimming.

Region 4 – WMA Habitat Management

Location: McClellanville, SC (northern Charleston County)

Housing Available: Yes

Description of Work Duties: Regional management activities including a lot of waterfowl area work (disturbing vegetation to increase waterfowl food), agricultural work (driving tractors with disks or planters), dove trapping, boundary posting, data entry, equipment maintenance (boats, tractors, ATVs, implements) and other duties. Boat experience is desired. These properties focus on manipulating vegetation and water levels to create quality food source for wintering waterfowl. Upland habitat management may include hog trapping, invasive species management and the application of prescribed fire.

Region 4 – WMA Habitat Management

Location: Garnett, SC (Hampton County)

Housing Available: Yes

Description of Work Duties: Regional management activities including, but not limited to: prescribed burning, agricultural manipulation, rotary mowing, disking, trapping, banding doves and ducks, boundary posting, equipment maintenance, infrastructure improvements, mowing grass, spraying invasive plants and assisting with educational activities. These properties focus on manipulating upland habitat to grow food and provide other life-cycle habitat needs for the benefit of deer, turkey, doves, quail, and other small game. There are some activities to benefit waterfowl in upland impoundments.

Additional Requirements for all positions: Applicants must possess a valid driver's license with a good driving record and be willing to operate department vehicles and equipment. They will also need the ability to communicate clearly and effectively, and to work independently with little supervision. They must be willing to work in inclement weather and buggy environments in remote locations.