Wildlife Biologist 2 – Monroe County

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**JOB DESCRIPTION**

Serves as a biologist for the conservation of Coastal Plain upland fauna and habitats in concert with the goals of the State Wildlife Action Plan. Duties include coordination of research, survey, management, and education/outreach activities related to the Gopher Tortoise Conservation Initiative as well as grant management. Communicates the status and importance of longleaf pine ecosystem fauna to other professionals, the public, and other parties through presentations, news releases, and social media. Participates in meetings, serves on or leads committees, collects, analyzes, and manages data, and prepares reports for publication. Serves as technical expert regarding permits related to gopher tortoises, and drafts regulations and procedures for tortoise conservation. Coordinates with biologists and law enforcement personnel concerning illegal actions that affect nongame species. Participates in species status assessments. Provides input for wildlife management area plans and performs environmental reviews of projects. Develops and fosters partnerships with Federal, State, NGO, and private entities to further nongame species conservation. Assists landowners with information requests, management advice, and nuisance wildlife issues.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS**

Master’s degree in Biology or a related field from an accredited college or university.

**OR**

Bachelor’s degree in Biology or a related field from an accredited college or university

**AND**

One year of related experience.

**OR**

One year of experience required at the lower level Wildlife Biologist 1, (NRPO60) or position equivalent.

**PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS**

Preference may be given to applicants with:

- Advanced degree in Zoology, Wildlife Biology, or related field with emphases in herpetology, botany, and ecology
- Three years of experience directly related to the position’s job description
- Knowledge of nongame wildlife species and habitat management, Coastal Plain plant communities and soils
- Knowledge of gopher tortoise conservation and regulations, sampling techniques, and translocation protocols
- Experience working cooperatively with agency personnel, landowners, industry professionals, researchers, and the general public to produce desired conservation outcomes
- Demonstrated ability to manage multiple projects and budgets concurrently to meet deadlines
- Experience implementing wildlife research, data collection and management, and analysis

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- Experience providing technical assistance and educational programs to the public
- Demonstrated ability to write plans, reports, and articles, and manage permit requirements
- Experience supervising volunteers and technicians in support of conservation projects
- Ability to work both as a team member and independently to solve problems

If interested in applying for this position, please submit an electronic DNR Application for Employment to the e-mail address highlighted below or mail a completed DNR Application for Employment to the following address:

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Wildlife Resources Division
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The Deadline date to apply for this position is 3/12/20