Postdoctoral Research Associate

The Opportunity:

The Institute of Renewable Natural Resources (IRNR) at Texas A&M University, the Caesar Kleberg Wildlife Research Institute (CKWRI) at Texas A&M University-Kingsville, and East Wildlife Foundation (EWF) are soliciting applications for a 3-year position with a focus on designing, implementing, and evaluating a EWF-wide monitoring program. The foundation operates an integrated program of research, education, and outreach to support wildlife conservation and other public benefits of ranching and private land stewardship. The EWF properties include six separate ranches covering over 215,000 acres in the south Texas sand sheet region.

Job Description:

The Postdoctoral Research Associate will coordinate the long-term project focused on monitoring activities intended to detect short- and long-term changes in terrestrial vertebrates and vegetation on the EWF properties. Expertise with one terrestrial vertebrate group is acceptable, although experience with all groups is preferred. A strong applicant should have experience designing, implementing, and evaluating similar monitoring programs, strong quantitative skills, and familiarity with remote sensing and GIS. The Research Associate is expected to spend extensive field time in relatively remote areas of south Texas, and in working with and training field personnel, including graduate and undergraduate students. This is a full time position and a portion of the Research Associates’ time can be spent pursuing individual research interests that align with the mission of the East Wildlife Foundation. Annual salary range is $38K to $44K depending on qualifications, plus benefits.

Ideal Candidate Profile:

Applicants should have completed a Ph.D. by the start date of the position (expected October 2013 but no later than January 2014) and within the last 5 years. Preference will be given to applicants with experience with both terrestrial vertebrate and vegetation monitoring programs. The Research Associate will be an employee of Texas A&M University and will be expected to reside in Kingsville, Texas. Office space and administrative support will be provided on the campus of Texas A&M University-Kingsville (CKWRI).

Please submit cover letter that details relevant experience, CV, scanned copy of all college transcripts, and provide contact information for 4 references to: Rosemary Johnson, Human Resources Manager, Texas A&M Institute of Renewable Natural Resources via email only: r-payton@tamu.edu. Please direct questions on the position requirements to Dr. Michael Morrison at mlmorrison@tamu.edu. Applications accepted until 16 August 2013, or until position is filled.