Waterfowl Banding and GPS Transmitter Attachment Technician Position

**Agency:** University of Nebraska – Lincoln  
**Location:** Southeast Kansas, approximately Pleasanton, KS  
**Duration:** 10/1/2023 – 1/31/2024  
**Deadline to Apply:** 8/1/2023  
**Compensation:** $12.00/hr., 40 hours per week  
**Field Housing/Transportation:** Provided

**POSITION:** We are seeking to hire one technician to assist with fall and winter trapping efforts of mallards across the southeast region of Kansas. Primary responsibilities include assisting with duck trapping efforts utilizing swim-in funnel traps, banding ducks, and assisting in the attachment and deployment of GPS transmitters on captured mallards.

Housing will be provided within southeast Kansas. Field transportation and necessary equipment (e.g., waders, headlights, etc.) will also be supplied. Most work will occur at night and capture efforts will be associated with long, irregular hours in non-ideal conditions. Applicants must be willing to work extended hours in adverse weather conditions and be capable of carrying heavy equipment in waders.

This project is a collaboration between the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks, the University of Nebraska – Lincoln, and the U.S. Geological Survey. We are investigating the fall and winter ecology of mallards in southeast Kansas using cellular GPS-ACC transmitters. The selected applicant will gain experience in trapping wintering waterfowl, banding waterfowl, and the attachment of GPS transmitters. We expect that the selected applicant will interact with many biologists and managers within southeast Kansas.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Successful applicants must have a strong work ethic and positive attitude. A valid driver’s license is required. Previous experience capturing and working with mallards and other waterfowl is beneficial. Applicants that are perusing an education and career in the wildlife field are encouraged to apply.

**APPLICATION:** Please submit a one-page cover letter, a one-page resume, and three references with contact information in a single PDF document to Ethan Dittmer by August 1st 2023. Applications will be reviewed as they are received.

**CONTACT:** For questions or applications, please contact Ethan Dittmer at editmer2@huskers.unl.edu