

GRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIP – PhD to study bird conservation and function in diversified agricultural-forest ecosystems; research will link to another effort to develop a healthy farm index, including landscape scale modeling of ecosystem services and bird population/land use relationships. This Clemson University research may be collaborative with similar research initiated at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln (<http://organic.unl.edu/>) in fall 2006. *Available* immediately or January 2009. *Qualifications*: MS in wildlife ecology or related field. Applicants must have a solid background in wildlife ecology and be skilled in bird identification and observation, be able to communicate and work with a wide variety of people, and be willing to work under extreme weather and field conditions. Experience with GIS, landscape analysis, data management and analysis, agricultural-forest systems, and bird and habitat sampling protocols preferred. *Assistantship* provides \$18,500 per year plus reduced tuition and subsidized health insurance. *Interested* individuals should contact Dr. Ron J. Johnson, 245 Lehotsky Hall, Clemson University, Clemson, SC 29634; office phone: 864-656-6802; cell: 402-304-0025; email: ronj@clemson.edu. Websites: http://www.clemson.edu/for/johnson_ron.html; <http://www.grad.clemson.edu/programs/Wildlife/index.php>. Applications include a statement of purpose (interest and goals), CV, transcripts & GRE scores, and names and contact information for three references. Position will remain open until filled.