



## PHD/MS RESEARCH ASSISTANT -- Fall 2015

### U.S. Geological Survey, Minnesota Cooperative Fish and Wildlife Research Unit University of Minnesota

**Position title:** PhD or MS Research Assistant focused on the human dimensions of elk management and restoration in Minnesota.

**Agency/location:** Minnesota Cooperative Fish and Wildlife Research Unit (MNCRU), University of Minnesota, with close collaboration with Minnesota Department of Natural Resources.

**Responsibilities:** The student will be responsible for implementing and analyzing social survey data with hunters, landowners and other stakeholders in Minnesota to better understand preferences for elk population goals, management strategies and hunting experiences. The research will serve as a MS/PhD thesis.

The student will be co-advised by Dr. David Fulton (Assistant Unit Leader MNCRU & Adj. Professor) and Dr. Gino D'Angelo, (MN DNR & Adj. Assistant Professor) and will work closely with other MN DNR research scientists and managers.

**Qualifications:** Prefer student who has completed MS in human dimensions of wildlife management or biological management-oriented MS with a strong interest in pursuing a PhD in the human dimensions of wildlife management. We will also consider applicants with strong credentials who do not yet have an MS.

**Stipend:** Approximately \$20,000/year plus tuition and health care benefits. Position is funded for 3 years contingent on satisfactory performance and funding allocations.

**Closing date:** Review begins May 1 and is open until filled. Start date of August 2015.

**Contact:** Send letter of interest, resume (including GPA & GRE scores), transcripts and contact information for three references to **David Fulton**, Minnesota Cooperative Fish and Wildlife Research Unit, Department of Fisheries, Wildlife and Conservation Biology, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities. ([dcfulton@umn.edu](mailto:dcfulton@umn.edu)) 612-625-5256