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## Kansas State Habitat Fund Matching Grant

The Kansas Governor's Ringneck Classic (Classic) and the Northwest Kansas Conservation Foundation (NWKCF), is presenting Pheasants Forever (PF) chapters in Northwest Kansas with a unique opportunity. Through November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016, every dollar a chapter contributes to the Kansas State Habitat Fund over their existing commitment, the NWKCF will match up to a total of \$25,000. The grant will be presented to PF at the 2016 Classic hosted in Oakley November 17<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th.</sup>

"The Kansas Ringneck Classic, through its Northwest Kansas Conversation Foundation, is excited to build upon our partnership with Pheasants Forever. The matching grant will ensure we continue working towards our mission of supporting conservation efforts while engaging a new generation of hunters." Jim Millensifer, Kansas Governor's Ringneck Classic

The \$50,000 generated by this challenge grant will support Kansas State Habitat Fund projects in Northwest Kansas. More specifically, it will provide support for these important habitat and youth outreach programs:

- Habitat Management Farm Bill Wildlife Biologists; Servicing Landowners across Northwest Kansas.
- Pheasant Initiative; Specific pheasant management initiatives on public and private acres surrounding Glen Elder & Norton Wildlife Management Areas.
- Habitat Protection Kansas Permanent Habitat Fund; Building the public land base and protecting habitat permanently across Kansas.
- Youth Engagement Youth Pollinator Partnership; Support to over 700 grassroots chapters and their partners across the country to engage youth, families and communities in establishing pollinator habitat projects. Provides funding for pollinator seed, PF/QF shirts and materials.
- Mentored Hunts and Shooting Sports; Support for mentored hunts and shooting clinics.

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