

Conflicting Demands Made On Farm And Forest Lands

An extension wildlife specialist at The Pennsylvania State University has called for closer cooperation between landowners, conservationists, and planning commissions in charting the future development of land and water resources.

Citizens from both urban centers and rural areas are placing increasing, and often conflicting, demands on farm and forest land for their benefits. Robert G. Wingard, chairman of forestry and wildlife Extension said "The same pressures and conflicts apply to the demands on water resources.

"Now that land-use planning is well established throughout Pennsylvania, a new challenge and opportunity exists for sportsmen and conservationists to participate on planning commissions and express their concerns for the quality of the natural environment," the wildlife specialist emphasized.

Ways in which the multitude of land-use changes and adjustments are guided, and the ways pressures on land and water resources are planned and accommodated will determine largely the character of the natural environment in the future he said. Projections well into the future show that over 90 percent of the Com-

monwealth will continue to be in farm and forest use.

Reflecting on present-day developments, Wingard said if only main street and the urban fringe are considered, it is easy to reach the conclusion that everything is being covered with asphalt and concrete. However, by getting into the countryside, much of the state is literally on the edge of the wilderness with unlimited opportunities for natural resource conservation and development.

The amount of land occupied by all new developments is not nearly as important to the natural environment as the pattern and location of the changes he said. The impor-

tant thing for sportsmen and conservationists is that there is a choice in where and how changes are located to take advantage of all resource benefits and to avoid excessive waste and disruption of natural processes.

Wingard said many community, township, county, and regional planning commissions are doing an excellent job helping chart a course of land uses and development which will seek a better outcome than has been characteristic of much of the haphazard development of the past.

At the Commonwealth level, the State Planning Board is actively engaged in the development of a state recreation plan and other extensive resource planning programs. In addition, the massive Susquehanna River Basin Study and plan will have a significant impact on natural resource planning and development.

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Robert E. Elmer, vocational agricultural teacher at the high school will teach welding in various positions, on different kinds of metal, welding cast iron soldering, cutting and brazing with an arc welder. Everyone who attends all five sessions will receive a certified diploma. A fee of \$5 will be charged for the course, and all materials needed for the course will be supplied free of charge.

The course is based on instruction developed by the Lincoln Electric Company, manufacturers of arc welding equipment. Lincoln has been conducting welding schools since 1917. The Farmersville Equipment Company will sponsor and supervise the course.

The welding school will be limited to twenty-five persons, on a first-come-first-served basis. Any person interested in the course is requested to contact the agriculture department of the Garden Spot High School by February 15.

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