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Lebanon County Sets Conservation Tour Day

The Lebanon County Commissioners and Lebanon County Conservation District are sponsoring a flood control project for the Quittapahilla to protect the city of Lebanon, municipalities of Cleona and Annville from future flood damage. This program will come under Public Law 566. Under this law, local governments will furnish the land rights and easements. The survey design and construction costs will be furnished by the Federal government.

George Wolff, chairman of the Lebanon County Conservation District, announces a Conservation Tour for Thursday, October 11. Assemble at the north parking lot at the Municipal Building at 9:45 a.m.

The following observation sites will be included in the project study:

10:15 a.m. - Sites for proposed flood control project for Quittapahilla sponsored by County Commissioners and Lebanon Conservation District. Discussion by: Philip Feather, County commissioner, and Samuel Fullerton, consultant for Conservation District.

10:30 a.m. - Observe urban problems along Evergreen Road. Homes are being built on flood plain. Karl Hellerick, District conservationist, will point out problem area.

11:00 a.m. - Hammer Creek Flood Restoration Project. Hurricane Agnes did considerable damage in the streams in Lebanon County. Hammer Creek, a trout stream, received its share of silt and debris as well as stream bank damage. Federal money was used to restore and improve this trout stream. This will be discussed by Paul Hornberger, Waterways patrolman.

11:30 a.m. - Harvey S. Boland Tree Farm near Kleinfeltersville. In addition to woodland practices stream deflectors to protect stream banks and improve fish habitat have been installed. John Stick, ASCS, will discuss their part in financing conservation practices here.

12:15 p.m. - Bring your own lunch. There will be a brief stop at the Visitors Center at Middlecreek Waterfowl Project. Proceed to Sunfish Pond Picnic

Area for lunch. This area is about 200 yards south of visitors center.

1:15 p.m. - Harold and Donald Bollinger, Kleinfeltersville. Here we have a father and son poultry and dairy operation. Tile drains, liquid animal waste storage facility and use of chisel plow are conservation practices used on this farm. Newton Bare, County Agriculture agent, will be on hand to discuss management of these conservation practices.

2:15 p.m. - More information will be available the day of the tour.



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