Lancaster Co. slates Chesapeake Bay Talk/Walk

LANCASTER — A "Talk About Chesapeake Bay/Walk About Lancaster County Day" is planned by the Lancaster County Conservation District and the Lancaster County League of Women Voters for Saturday, Mar. 8 at the Farm and Home Center, 1383 Arcadia Rd., Lancaster.

The day-long meeting is planned especially for elected and appointed local municipal officials throughout the county, and over 300 invitations have been mailed. The entire focus of the day's activities is on borough and township soil and water control conditions and their close relationship to the Chesapeake Bay. Future planning, current problems, available funds

and aid programs will be explained by speakers representing various levels of government.

During the morning session beginning at 9 a.m., Senator Noah W. Wenger will speak about the Chesapeake Bay Commission of which he is a member. Paul Swartz, executive director of the State Conservation Commission will discuss the impact of Lancaster County erosion and run-off problems on Chesapeake Bay. Mr. Edward C. Goodhart, Manor Township supervisor, will speak about local soil and water concerns from his point of view. The Commonwealth's environmental programs and plans will be shared with the audience by a message

from DER Secretary, Nicholas DeBenedictus, and County Commissioner James E. Huber will be master of ceremonies for the day.

Following lunch at the Farm and Home Center, buses will take local officials and guests at the conference to two sites. One will be a farm at which examples of the use of Chesapeake Bay Improvement funds will be examined. The other will be a suburban location to examine erosion and sedimentation and storm water controls in place. Conference participants will have the opportunity to visit the Mobile Nutrient Lab from Penn State while at the farm site. manufacturer's Several representatives and distributors of

erosion and sedimentation control products have been invited to display their products during the meeting.

Robert Gregory, Administrator of the Lancaster County Conservation District said, "We hope that many local officials will make their reservations by February 28 and take advantage of this unique meeting designed to help them with their special concerns and to answer their questions about funding and programs now available in the county."



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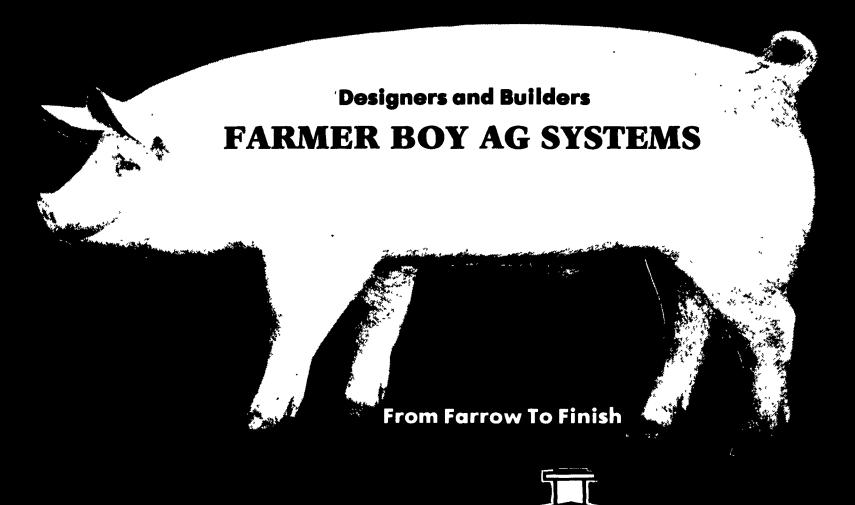
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