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Maryland Farm Wildlife Control Forums

Presented by Maryland Farm Bureau and Maryland Department of Natural Resources

Davidsonville, MD (July 11, 2016) – The Maryland Farm Bureau (MFB) is partnering with Maryland Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to offer three free Farm Wildlife Control forums to state residents and farm owners who want to learn how to address wildlife-caused damage on their farms. The dates and locations of the forums are listed below:

- July 19: Fox Haven Farm 3630 Poffenberger Rd., Jefferson, Md. 21755
- July 21: Talbot Ag Center 10659 Hiners Ln., Easton, Md. 21601
- July 26: Tom Wisner Hall 3255 Kings Landing Rd., Huntingtown, Md. 20639

Forum topics will include an update on the status of deer, obtaining and using Deer Management Permits (a.k.a. Crop Damage Permits), and control options for nuisance and problem wildlife other than deer. Attendees will also receive updated Wildlife Management Manuals created by the Farm Bureau and DNR. Various department staff will lead the discussions and answer questions.

Animal damage on the farm can take a variety of forms, from deer eating crops to beavers flooding timber. Past surveys show that deer cause the most damage to crops in the state, followed by Canada geese and groundhogs. Many farmers run into millions of dollars in wildlife crop damage per year.

All workshops will run from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Donuts and coffee will be served. For more information, please contact Colby Ferguson at cferguson@mdfarmbureau.com. RSVP to Farm Bureau at 410-922-3426 or abuehler@mdfarmbureau.com.

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