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Conservation Contractors;

The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) along with the Warren/Montgomery County Soil and Water Conservation Districts (SWCD's) will be hosting a two day Contractors Workshop in March to cover soil conservation practice contractor layout and checkout. The annual Contractors Workshop is also planned.

We have had some contractors show an interest in staking work. With other programs and increasing workload in our counties, we are hoping this will speed up the process of getting work staked and designed therefore resulting in a quicker turn around time for you the contractor to have designs to build the practices.

The first workshop is planned for March 1st at 8:00 AM (breakfast will be served) at the Lions Building in Montgomery City. This part will cover some basics on surveying of soil conservation practices such as terraces and waterways.

The second part of the workshop is set for the morning of March 17th also at the Lions Building in Montgomery City. This part of the workshop will be used as a follow up to review with contractors on what information is needed to do a design on conservation practices. Our plan from there is to work one on one with contractors on projects in the field. This will help to make sure we get all the needed information to do a good design.

Also on March 31st we will be holding our annual Contractor Workshop. At this meeting NRCS and SWCD personnel will review any changes or new information on programs, cost share and other items of interest to contractors. We will also discuss the stake out trainings held earlier. A representative for the Missouri Land Improvement Contractors Association (LICA) will be present to discuss their programs and to answer questions.

Please RSVP if you are planning to attend the March 1st training by Friday February 25th 2011, to either the Montgomery or Warren County Offices. We will be sending out letters closer to the date to remind/invite you to the Annual Contractors Workshop on March 31st.

As always if you need further information please feel free to contact your local USDA Service Center. Montgomery City, MO 573-564-3715 x3 or Warrenton 636-456-3434 x3.

Sincerely,

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