Wildlife and Forest Management Field Day

September 26

5:00 pm to 7:00pm

Light Meal Included

Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and Tuscola Conservation District

Michigan Agriculture Environmental Assurance Program (MAEAP)

9192 Oak Rd. Millington, MI 48746

We will meet at the farm for a light meal, introductions and discussion and then head over to the forest habitat location on the farm for a walk through the woods with Jeff Tuller, Certified Forester and Plan Writer. The event will include a discussion and demonstration about the process of having a forest management plan written, applicable environmental practices related to forest management and wildlife habitat development, and how to enroll in the Forest, Wetland and Habitat System of MAEAP Verification.

Agenda:

- 5:00 Introductions and meal
- 5:10 The FWH System of MAEAP verification

Steve Schaub, Tuscola Conservation District

5:20 NRCS programs for landowners relating to forestry and wildlife habitat practices

Carol Schadd, District Conservationist, NRCS Caro Field Office

5:40 Travel to the forest location and discuss an overview of the property, habitat and management goals from the perspective of the landowners, James and Marie Koch and the plan writer, Jeff Tuller. There will be some walking through the woods, please wear appropriate footwear and be prepared for mosquitoes. The Koch property has been recently verified in the Forest, Wetland, Habitat System with MAEAP.

7:00 Return to the farmstead location and adjourn

This program is free of charge to all participants and is open to anyone. Please rsvp to Steve Schaub at 989-673-8174 ext. 3 or email Steve at <u>steve.schaub@macd.org</u> by September 24th. A site map and directions will be sent to all registrants.