

Horse Farm: Mud, Manure, and Pasture Management Workshop

DAY SESSION

March 20th, 2007 at the US Fish and Wildlife Visitors Center in Laurel, Maryland
Call 443-482-2934 for more information and to register. FREE ADMISSION

REVISED AGENDA USDA NRCS / MARYLAND COOPERATIVE EXTENSION

- 9 00 - 9:40 Horse Manure Storage and Composting**
Examples of manure storage and composting, the large and the small
Warren Johnson, USDA NRCS Civil Engineer
Ken Wolfe, USDA NRCS Civil Engineer
Steve Darsey Conservation Engineer, Prince George's Soil Conservation District
- 9:40 –9:50 Break**
- 9:50 - 10:45 6 Techniques for Managing Mud on Horse Properties**
What causes mud, how it affects horse health, and ways to reduce and even eliminate mud on your property this winter!
Alayne Blickle, Director, Horses For Clean Water
- 10:45- 11:40 Composting and Other Useful Manure Options**
Make your place healthier for horses; reduce the insect population next year, help your farm become more productive during the growing season, AND make it a chore-efficient place for you to enjoy this winter!
Alayne Blickle, Director, Horses For Clean Water
- 11:40 - 12:40 Lunch – On your own off site.**
- 12:40 – 1`10 Saving Dollars by Grazing for Cover and Forage Production**
How to save money on pasture management and produce more safe forage for horses and create a place people love to look at!
Elmer Dengler, USDA NRCS, Maryland State Grazing Specialist
- 1:10 – 1:50 Good Fencing Ideas for the Horse Farm**
Functional and creative ideas in horse fencing.
Ben Beale, St. Mary's County Cooperative Extension
- 1:50 – 2:00 Break**

2:00 - 2:30 **Nutritional Needs of Horses on Pasture**
And a discussion of laminitis issues and pastures.
Bridgett Byrd, PhD, Equine Specialist Blue Seal Feeds, Inc.

2:30 - 3:30 **Growing More Pasture! For Large and Small Places**
Basic techniques for good pasture management including how grasses grow, creating a winter paddock, liming, spreading compost & rotational grazing and small farm equipment
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Stand Alone Evening Session - 7 to 9 PM - FREE ADMISSION

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7:30 - 9:00 **Growing More Pasture! For Large and Small Places – Managing Mud**
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