COOPERATIVE EXTENSION

Southampton County Extension Report
May 16, 2011 - June 15, 2011

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Continued training counselors, planning, making arrangements, and completing paperwork and logistics for this year's 4H camp. Camp with enrollment already full at 80 campers. Camp will be held July 11-15, 2011.

Aided with the 2011 4-H Fishing Extravaganza in cooperation with VA Dept of Game and Inland Fisheries providing instruction and opportunity for over 80 Southampton area youth to fish at the Southampton Correctional Center Pond.

Cohosted Vegetation Management Field Day with various other public and private organizations to provide pesticide recertification training for 92 natural resource professionals.

Hosted Category 3A (turfgrass)\, 3b (ornamental), and Registered Technician recertification and review for 33 applicators. 6 new applicators were able to successfully pass their RT exams.

Hosted 4-H Livestock Club meeting where 22 youth and adults learned about record books and registered their projects for the Franklin-Southampton County Fair, were instructed in club officer roles/tasks, planned fundraising activities, and planned and prepared material for the Southampton County Fair 4-H Livestock Shows.

Administered Forestry test at the statewide Envirothon competition where 164 youth from around Virginia matched wits on various natural resource topics and demonstrated their public speaking and leadership skills.

Presided over Virginia Urban Forest Council meeting where over $20,000 of Federal funds as well as additional generated and matching funds are allocated to projects directed at improving urban and community forests across Virginia.

Provide support to 4-H Shooting Sports Club with five volunteers coaching 12 youth working to compete at the Southeast District Shoot.

Aided with Forestry Walk for 84 first through fifth grade students from Richmond providing instruction on tree aging and forest succession.

Attended area-wide roundtable meeting investigating ways to improve prisoner reentry and reduce recidivism.

Wrote Extension article for Extension column in June 15 Tidewater News.

Information was provided to 66 Southampton county residents on topics ranging from tomato diseases, lawn weeds, wheat pests, forage recommendation, pruning, pest identification and control recommendations, 4H training and youth education.

Contacts for this month: 55 calls; 32 visits; 275 mailings; 12 internet hits.