

Another Conservation Success Story...

Lamar County, Georgia

October 2006

Earth Team Volunteers Clean up Wetland Pond after Hurricane Francis

On Wednesday, October 13, 2004, thirty-one 4-H Club members and adult volunteers gathered at the Wetland Trail pond behind the Lamar County Middle School for a community service project.

This was a continuation of the development of the Barnesville-Lamar County Wetland Trails and Ag Center facility. Several local agencies, organizations and individuals were involved with this successful effort.

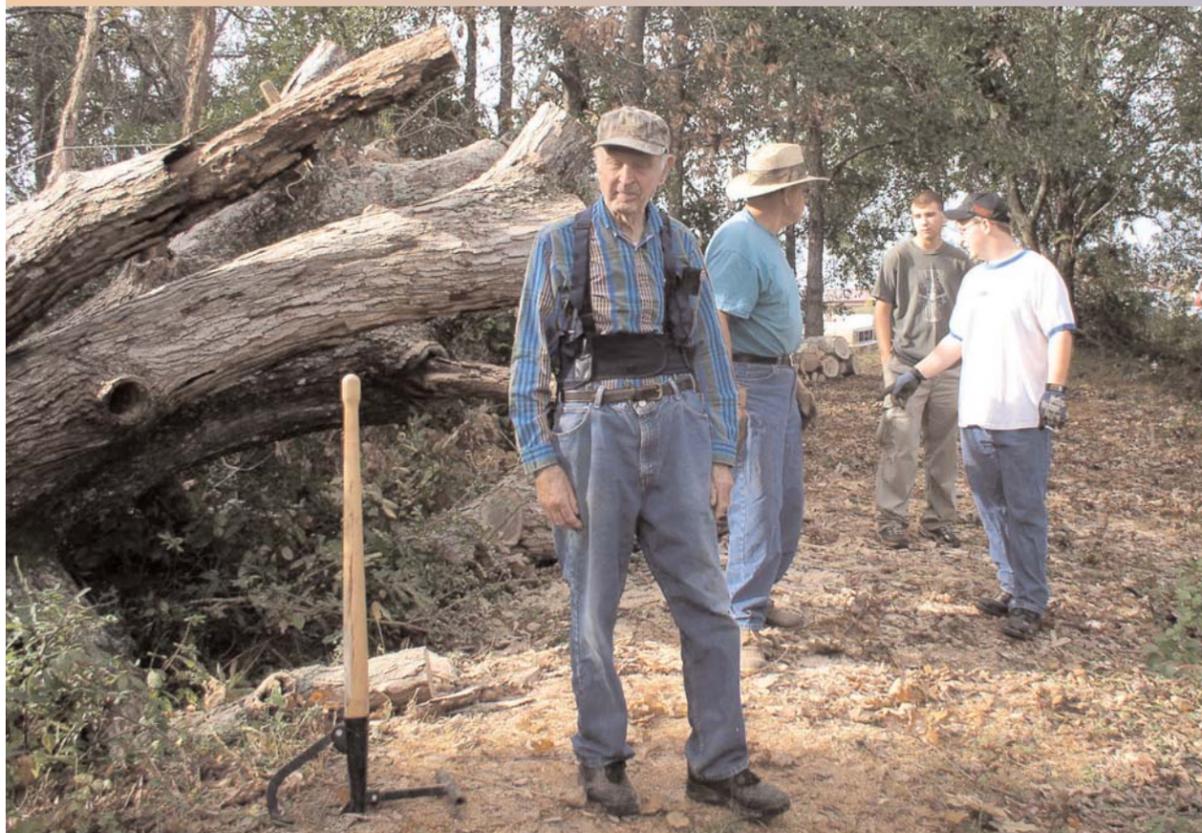
Severely eroded pond banks were harrowed, limed, fertilized, sowed with seed and wheat straw was spread to prevent more erosion. A large water oak tree that had fallen across the pond dam and trail during Hurricane Francis was cut and the trail cleared.

Trees and brush were cleared from around the pond site, trash was picked up and old, plastic tree protectors were removed. The trail around the pond was cut and cleared so local groups and individuals can safely use the trail for exercise and educational activities.

4-H Club members then walked the system of trails picking up trash and debris from the recent storms. Keith Lassiter, Lamar County Extension Coordinator, coordinated the work day event.



Clean-up around the Wetland Trail Pond behind the Lamar County Middle School was part of a 4-H community service project.



Allison Fuquay (L) with the McIntosh Trail Master Gardeners was one of thirty-one 4-H Club and adult volunteers gathered to clean up the Wetland Trail in Lamar County behind the Middle School.



District Supervisors Edwin Foshee and Tom Aiken seeding and mulching pond banks.



Octavia Jackson, 4-H Youth Coordinator, with 4-H members Courtney Jackson, Christen Jackson, and Emily Holcome pick up trash on the Wetland Trail.

Agencies and businesses involved in the event were:

USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service, Lamar County Soil and Water Conservation District, Lamar County Extension Service and 4-H Club, Lamar County Ag Authority and Wetland Trail Committee, State Soil and Water Conservation Commission, McIntosh Trail Master Gardeners, Akins Farm and Home, and County Line Farms.

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