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Date: February 6, 2019

SUBJECT: MARION County, Local Work Group (LWG) Meeting
FROM: Les Bachelor, NRCS Marion County District Conservationist
WHEN: February 22th 2019 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
WHERE: 650 Hawthorne Ave SE, Suite 130 Salem, Oregon (Service Center Conference Room)

NRCS is once again asking for your participation to voice your concerns about local resource problems we may have in Marion County. We recognize the challenges and opportunities in solving natural resource problems with our partners and our clients. The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) will be hosting a meeting on February 22th from 9:00- 12:00 to update the Local Work Group (LWG) of FY2018 conservation progress and to also gather your input regarding the future of natural resource opportunities and addressing priority resource concerns in Marion County.

The goal of the LWG brings together individuals with a variety of expertise and knowledge allowing NRCS to focus on resource concerns in the county and focus our efforts on these concerns to make the greatest impact with our available staff and funding. We need your help to:

- ✓ Identify where the best investments can be made to address natural resource problems,
- ✓ Share the success for work completed in Marion County, and
- ✓ Share your vision for what the county will look like when these natural resource concerns have been solved.

We will focus on prioritizing identified resource concerns and consider areas for future Conservation Implementation Strategies (CIS's) for future project funding for specific areas in Marion County. Your input in this process is *very valuable* as we will be using local information gathered at this meeting to focus NRCS work and funding for future CIS's.

The information provided in this process will help all of us work towards a stronger, healthier more economically viable community and agricultural industry.

If you are unable to attend this meeting, but would like additional information or would like to provide your input, please contact NRCS at 971-273 4816, or e-mail les.bachelor@or.usda.gov
Local Work Group meetings are open to the public, so please feel free to share this information with others who may be interested in participating.

Enclosed, please find the agenda for the meeting.

Thank you in advance for your time and participation in this very important process.

Please contact Les Bachelor @ 971-273-4816 or e-mail les.bachelor@or.usda.gov to request special accommodations for persons with disabilities at least 48 hours before the meeting.

Sincerely,

Les Bachelor
USDA NRCS, District Conservationist