

NRCS hosts Farm Field Day at Bullen farm

The Rockcastle County Conservation District and the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) hosted a farm field day on high tensile fencing, Wednesday, April 25th, at the William T. Bullen

Farm, which is located in the Roundstone community of Rockcastle County.

There were approximately 30 people in attendance. During the field day, Glenn Abney, Resource Con-

servationist with USDA-NRCS from Mt. Sterling, demonstrated different techniques for installing high tensile fencing. High tensile fencing, when installed correctly, is a less costly and a more efficient alternative to bar-

wire and woven wire fences. Mr. Abney discussed what types of tools, equipment and hardware needed for a successful installation of a high tensile fence. Many landowners from around the county tried their hand at learning some of the different techniques for tying high tensile wire.

Randall Templeman, District Conservationist, informed field day guests

of cost share programs that are available to landowners for the purpose of reducing soil erosion and improving water quality on their farms. Many of the practices available for cost share were viewed on Mr. Bullen's farm such as streambank stabilization, stream crossings, riparian buffers, high tensile fencing, pipeline and a front free stock-water fountain. Partners for Fish and Wildlife helped with \$10,000 in cost share funds to establish much of the aforementioned practices on Mr. Bullen's farm.

Tommy H. Mink, Conservation District Board Member, demonstrated the use and safety of using a post driver for fencing.

A no-till tree planter, on loan from the Harrison County Conservation

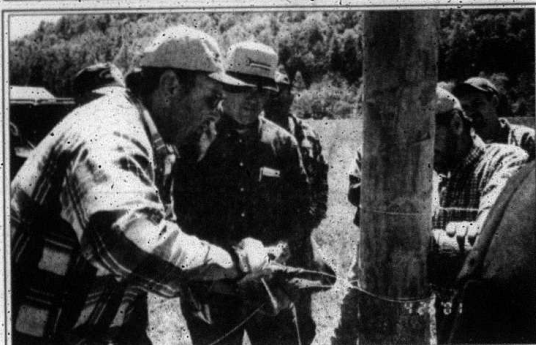
Wildlife for making this field day possible.

If you would like to know more about what programs are available to landowners for the purpose of im-

proving soil, water, trees and wildlife on your farm contact the Conservation Districts and/or the Natural Resources Conservation Service at 256-2525 Ext. 3.



Tommy Mink discussed the use and safety of a post driver.



Jr. Bullen, left, and Glenn Abney demonstrates tying high tensile wire.



No-till tree planter used at the Field Day to establish a riparian buffer.



Field Day guests observing the completed streambank stabilization practice along Roundstone Creek.

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