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Forestry Management Workshop to Help Landowners Explore Environmentally Friendly Commercial Opportunities

PRINCE FREDERICK, Md. – September 3, 2010 – Owners of forest and farmland in Calvert County can face a balancing act over the sound environmental stewardship of their land while leveraging it for additional income. To help landowners explore forest management possibilities, the Calvert County Department of Planning and Zoning is sponsoring a Forestry Management Workshop on Thursday, September 23, 7-9 p.m., at the Calvert Library in Prince Frederick.

The workshop will present best practices for forestland that can combine income opportunities with sustainable environmental management methods. Programs offering financial assistance will be covered and local forestry professionals will be on hand to discuss forestry management plans.

Jonathan Kays, a natural resources specialist with the University of Maryland Extension, will lead the session and cover a variety of topics including timber harvests for lumber and firewood, streamside stabilization and the marketing of forest products. Information will also be available from the Calvert County Forestry Board.

The workshop is open to all residents. To RSVP for the event, contact the Calvert County Department of Planning & Zoning at 410-535-2348.

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Calvert County is Maryland's smallest county in land area with 213 square miles. It is home to approximately 90,000 people and has one of the highest standards of living in Maryland. There are more than 5,000 businesses in the County and a labor force of at least 1.8 million resides within a one-hour drive. Major industries include defense contracting, information technology, tourism, utilities, light manufacturing and administrative services.