

Carroll County to Celebrate 75,000 Acres of Ag Preservation



Westminster, MD, Monday, February 10, 2020 – The Carroll County Board of Commissioners is excited and proud to announce a future event celebrating the attainment of 75,000 acres of preserved agricultural land. A community committee is planning the celebration to be held on Saturday, October 17, 2020, from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM at the Carroll County Farm Museum. The event is free to the public as part of the Farm Museum's Fall Harvest Celebration event. A special ceremony will take place at 12:30 pm. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend the event.

In 2020, Carroll County will reach the milestone of 75,000 acres preserved, 75% of its 100,000-acre goal. To celebrate the occasion, the Celebrating 75,000 Acres Preserved & Growing event will feature a ceremony, other related special events, and attractions recognizing this agricultural preservation accomplishment. An educational campaign will accompany the event promoting the benefits of preservation to the community and the importance of "growing" preserved land acreage to attain the remaining 25,000 acres.

Operating since 1980, Carroll County's Agricultural Land Preservation effort is the most successful in the State of Maryland, preserving more farms and more acres through the purchase of land preservation easements than any other county in Maryland. Carroll County's program also ranks among the nation's top five similar programs administered by local governments in the United States.

Information about the event can be found on the county's webpage celebratingagpres.carrollcountymd.gov. Updates will be announced closer to the event. For more information about the Celebrating 75,000 Acres Preserved & Growing event, please contact Brenda Dinne by emailing bdinne@carrollcountymd.gov or calling 410-386-2140.