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MASON-LAKE CONSERVATION DISTRICT 655 N. Scottville Rd. Scottville, Michigan 49454

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OFFICE HOURS
M-F 9:00 am-4:30 pm
We are a field office with
limited staff, so it's best
to call ahead!

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District Board of Directors

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The mission of the Mason-Lake CD is to provide leadership and technical assistance to aid individuals, groups and units of government conserve, improve, educate, and sustain our natural resources and environment.

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Fall Tree Order Form Enclosed!

Return Service Requested





WILDLIFE EATING YOUR PLANTS/TREES?

The Mason-Lake Conservation District offers a product called Plantskydd that deters wildlife from eating your plants, shrubs and trees. It comes in a variety of forms that will protect your investment

throughout the year, including the winter when applied after the fall rains. It is a blood byproduct which only needs to be applied to new growth once plants are treated. Not recommended for vegetables.

Spray quart bottle \$22

Granular can \$12

1 lb. Powder \$28

HOW TO DISPOSE OF LATEX PAINT!

Latex paint is not accepted at the Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection because it can be disposed of with your regular trash *but not in liquid form.* Ways to dispose of Latex Paint:

- **1.** Remove the lid and allow liquid to evaporate or harden. This can take several days of weeks depending on the quantity of paint left.
- **2.** Partial contents can be solidified in the original containers by mixing an equal amount of medium such as sawdust, kitty litter, sand dry cement charcoal, etc.



NEW THIS YEAR

We will be accepting electronics and appliances this year. If it plugs in or has a battery we will take it. There will be a \$25 charge for items with Freon. Styrofoam will also be accepted, but not packing peanuts.

Mason, Manistee & Oceana

Annual Household Hazardous Waste/Clean Sweep/ Appliance/Electronic & Pharmaceutical Collection

3rd Saturday of August Annually

August 17, 2013

<u>9am-2pm</u>

Mason County Collection Site:
Mason County Road Commission
510 E. State St. East of Scottville
One day Only!!

For more information or to volunteer call 231-757-3708 x3

CLEAN SWEEP

Farmers and producer's are urged to bring any of their unused, unwanted, or banned pesticides and insecticides to the clean sweep/household hazardous waste collection day on August 17, 2013. Any type of pesticides or fertilizers will be accepted at the drop off site which is at the Mason County Road Commission building. If you have used oil to dispose of it will also be accepted and there is no charge for disposing of any



of these items. All hazardous materials that are used on the farm will be accepted for disposal at this one day event between 9:00 am—2:00 pm.



Mason-Lake Conservation District Newsletter

Jordan DeVries Administrator/MAEAP Tech

Murray Stall MAEÁP Technician

Pat Fricke Administrative Assistant

Partnered with: Seth Earl

NRCS District Conservationist

5:00 PM

5:15 PM

6:00 PM

8:00 PM

Ken Chaltry NRCS Farm Bill Specialist

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CD Monthly Board Meetings	Aug. 8th Sept. 12th @noon
Clean Sweep/ HHW, Electronic/ Appliances & Pharmaceutical Collection	Third Saturday Annually August 17, 2013 Mason County Road Commission
MAEAP Tour/ Poker Run	September 12th 5:00 pm
Lake MI Beach Cleanup Ludington State Park Beachhouse	September 21st 9:00 am Volunteers Needed!!
Conifer Sale Deadline	September 27th
Fall Conifer PICK UP	October 4th

MASON-LAKE CONSERVATION DISTRICT/ WEST CENTRAL MAEAP TOUR/POKER RUN

Thursday SEPTEMBER 12 @ 5:00 PM Meet at Farmview Acres Resort 6735 N US-31, Freesoil, MI

(5 miles North of Scottville, Transportation will be provided to tour sites)

Stop #1: Orchard Market

Safe Food Assessment Program

Cropping & Farmstead MAEAP Verification Process

Irrigation Uniformity Demonstration

Water Use Reporting

Biomass Energy Summit Overview

Stop #2: Tom Grabowski Farmstead

Road-Stream Crossing Stabilization Slideshow

Grassed Waterway Pesticide Storage Fuel Dispensing Pad

Stop #3: Dan Anderson Farmstead 6:30 PM

Agri-chemical Handling Facility

Fertilizer Storage **Irrigation Uniformity**

7:00 PM Stop #4: NRCS Wetland Reserve Program Tour

Stop # 5 Stakenas Farms 7:30 PM NRCS Farm Bill Programs Overview

Manure Handling Facility Demonstration Picnic supper will be provided after the tour at

For more information contact:

Stakenas Farms' Farmview Acres Resort

Murray Stall, Mason-Lake/Manistee CD MAEAP Technician murray.stall@mi.nacdnet.net or

Jordan DeVries, Mason-Lake Administrator/MAEAP Technician Promoting Stewardship

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> This tour has been approved for MAEAP Phase I credit



Volunteers Needed!

Protecting the Environmen

The Mason-Lake Conservation District Recently Received a Grant from The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality to develop a comprehensive local plan for a coastal water trail along Lake Michigan to link the Sable Point Lighthouses and the seven river and lake inlets they border. Volunteers are needed to survey potential access sites for amenities and map/photograph water trail routes with GPS cameras loaned from the Mason-Lake Conservation District. Specific to the M-LCD's grant is an objective to identify and map invasive aquatic & shoreline plants along the water trail route. This will help prevent the incidental transfer of invasive plants from one watershed to another. Mapping invasive plants can also provide meaningful data for a future grant or donation drive to work aimed towards eradicating them! Stop by the Mason-Lake Conservation District Office, inside the USDA Service Center on the corner of Scottville Rd. and the US-31, to get an access site survey/list and invasive plant picture guide. M-LCD will reimburse in-County volunteers mileage to + from access sites.