Southern Steams Project Catchment Sensitive Farming





Come and join us at a FREE Soil Health Workshop



Welcome to the Southern Streams Project

The Southern Streams Project is a partnership project between Action for the River Kennet (ARK) and Catchment Sensitive Farming (CSF).

The aim of the project is to provide advice, support and information to farmers about minimising the risks of agricultural diffuse pollution and looking after the biggest asset on the farm – the soil.

You will also be able to get the latest news on the CSF Grant Scheme

2015 is UN International Year of the Soil, so it's a good time to ask;

Is your soil in good heart?

How could you tell if the soil was not in the best of health?

What are the implications for the farm business?

How can you improve things?

This workshop, led by Martin Wood from Earthcare will provide information on health checking your soil

At the workshop we will concentrate on best practice in identifying and addressing issues in the field and we will be learning how to

- identify soil compaction problems
- work with soil biology to improve soil structure
- increase the organic matter content of soil

There will be plenty of time for questions and discussion about your own farm experiences.

Karen Davies, CSFO for the Kennet and Lambourn catchment will give an update on the CSF Capital Grant Scheme

- what items are available
- where are the target areas
- how to apply

BASIS & NROSO points available



Venue: Woodlands St. Mary Village Hall School Lane, Woodlands St Mary, Berkshire, RG17 7SL

Site visit: Fishers Farm RG17 7AA

Date:

Thursday 19th March 2015

Time: 10:00 – 13:00 Bacon rolls and coffee served from 9:30

The site visit is being held at Fishers Farm by kind permission of Mr Henry Wilson

Please let us know if you can come to the FREE Soil Health Workshop, by contacting ARK:

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