



Soil is a living and life-giving substance, without which we would perish.

As world population and food production demands rise, keeping our soil healthy and productive is of paramount importance. So much so that we believe improving the health of our Nation's soil is one of the most important endeavors of our time.

By focusing more attention on soil health and by educating farmers and the public about the positive impact healthy soils can have on productivity and conservation, we can help our Nation's farmers and ranchers feed the world more profitably and sustainably – now and for generations to come.

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Principles of Soil Health

What: Maryland farmers and Conservation Partnership staff are invited to learn about the keys to healthy, productive soil from Ray 'The Soils Guy' Archuleta from the NRCS East National Technology Center, in Greensboro, North Carolina.

Managing for soil health is one of the easiest and most effective ways for farmers to increase crop productivity and profitability while improving the environment. Results are often realized immediately, and last well into the future.

Don't miss this unique opportunity to participate in hands-on demonstrations and field exercises with a nationally recognized Soil Health expert.

The training is offered at two locations for your convenience. Lunch will be provided. Please RSVP as soon as possible but no later than April 4. Space is limited.

When: **Wednesday, April 13, 2016 | 9:00 am - 3:30 pm**

Where: UMD Western MD Research & Education Center
18330 Keedysville Road, Keedysville, MD 21756
Please call Allison Moore at 301-797-6821, Ext. 3 to register
OR email at Allison.Moore@maryland.gov

When: **Thursday, April 14, 2016 | 9:00 am - 3:30 pm**

Where: Caroline County 4-H Park
8230 Detour Road, Denton, MD 21629
Please call Lindsay Brown at 410-479-1202, Ext. 116 to register.

Questions? If you have questions or need an accommodation to participate, please contact Christy Brown, 443-482-2936, christy.brown@md.usda.gov.



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