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Pheasants Forever & Quail Forever in Missouri Awarded Contribution from Corteva

Money supports free habitat workshops to engage women landowners in conservation

New Madrid, Mo – June 1, 2020 – Pheasants Forever & Quail Forever in Missouri recently received a contribution from Corteva Agriscience to help fund upcoming “Women Caring for the Land” workshops in southeast Missouri. Kelsey DeZalia, a Farm Bill Wildlife Biologist II for Scott and Stoddard counties, collaborated with Nathan Bengtson, a Corteva Production Location Manager from New Madrid, Mo., to secure the contribution from the [Corteva Grows Communities](#) program. This money allows these workshops to be offered to women landowners for free.

The first workshop will focus on wildlife and pollinator habitat and will be held as a webinar on June 23. The second workshop about forest management practices will be held August 21 in Ste. Genevieve, Mo. Both will include discussions with Farm Bill wildlife biologists and other resource professionals. The August workshop will include lunch and a habitat tour. Social-distancing requirements will be adhered to.

“With nearly 1 million women farmers and ranchers in the United States and an additional 87 million acres owned by non-operating women landowners, we feel it is critical to engage with these women about conservation,” notes Kim Cole, Missouri Outreach Coordinator. “Using women-tailored workshops, we will connect women landowners with local natural resource professionals and educate them about the many conservation practices and programs available to landowners.”

Pheasants Forever & Quail Forever works with the Women, Food and Agriculture Network (WFAN) to serve women farmland owners interested in learning about conservation through Women Caring for the Land workshops. These learning circle style workshops aim to teach women about conservation practices they can use on their land, empower operating and non-operating women landowners to make informed decisions about management on their farms and property and increase awareness about federal and state technical and financial assistance programs. The workshops also support the Conservation Outreach goals of our organization’s larger outreach initiative, Women on the Wing.

Corteva Agriscience and Pheasants Forever & Quail Forever are partners at the national level. Together, along with the National 4-H Council, they have established the Corteva Grows



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Pollinator Habitat program. This program supports the monarch butterfly and pollinator habitat at Corteva locations across the country, the majority of which are along the I-35 corridor, a main flyway for migrating monarchs.

To RSVP to the workshops or ask questions, please contact Kim Cole at (573) 356-0298 or kcole@quailforever.org.

About Pheasants Forever & Quail Forever

[Pheasants Forever](#), including its quail conservation division — [Quail Forever](#) — is the nation's largest nonprofit organization dedicated to upland habitat conservation. Pheasants Forever & Quail Forever have more than 138,000 members and 760 local chapters across the United States and Canada. Since creation in 1982, Pheasants Forever has spent over \$900 million on 550,000 habitat projects benefiting 19 million acres nationwide. Visit the [Pheasants Forever & Quail Forever in Missouri website](#) or follow us on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [Twitter](#) and [YouTube](#).