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Wild Virginia Educational Tour of Fracking-Drilling Sites

Charlottesville, VA, April 6 and 7, 2013 – Wild Virginia’s Outings and Education Program is offering a special, two-day outing for their members and the public to get up close and personal with the consequences of fracking and drilling. The tour will travel to West Virginia Host Farms where participants will learn about the impacts of shale gas drilling on rural communities from people directly affected by the industry.

West Virginia Host Farms is an effort of concerned landowners willing to provide access to their private properties on or near Marcellus drilling and fracking sites. They enable researchers, journalists, and the public to observe and study the effect of this industry on the environment, water quality, public health, and safety of rural WV communities.

The tour will depart on Saturday morning, April 6th at 8am from Charlottesville. West Virginia Host Farms will be providing overnight accommodations and this public event is open to anyone. There are limited scholarships available to cover transportation costs. Contact Wild Virginia at info@wildvirginia.org for additional information.

Wild Virginia is a grassroots non-profit organization dedicated to preserving wild forest ecosystems in Virginia’s National Forests. Wild Virginia works to accomplish our mission through our Forest Watch program and by organizing people who care about forest protection.

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