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Gilmore nature and fitness trail ribbon-cutting, September 29

RIPLEY, W.Va.—A ribbon cutting ceremony will be held at the Gilmore Elementary School in Sandyville, W.Va. to dedicate the new nature and fitness trail. Construction of the trail provides a portion of the school grounds to be opened up for conservation education and exploration by pre-kindergarten through 5th grade students at the school. Also the trail is ideally located to be accessed by the entire community.

“We have already received numerous compliments from people who have used the trail since construction was completed,” said Cinda Francis, West Virginia Forestry Association.

When: Saturday, September 29, 2012, 1:30 p.m.

Where: Gilmore Elementary School, Sandyville, WV, Jackson County.

The trail is the result of hard work and funding by many organizations including: Comet Cardinals 4-H Club, Dominion, Gilmore Elementary PTO, Jackson County Board of Education, Jackson County/Parkersburg Area Community Foundation, Little Kanawha RC&D, Sisters of St. Joseph’s Charitable Fund, U.S. Forest Service - Northeastern Area State and Private Forestry, USDA – Natural Resources Conservation Service, West Virginia Conservation Agency, West Virginia Forestry Association, and the Western Conservation District.

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