

# April 2021

## Natural Resource Webinars and YouTube videos

On line Extension webinars have continued to show great interest. In March, a Severe Weather Webinar was conducted by unit educator Duane Friend. One hundred ninety three attended the live meeting, which covered the topics of types of thunderstorms, lightning and tornadoes along with severe weather safety.

A Farm Pond webinar was also held in March by Duane, in collaboration with another unit and the Illinois Department of Natural Resources. One hundred ninety-one people attended the live meeting.

Both webinars were recorded and will be available on the University of Illinois Extension YouTube channel in the near future.

In addition to these activities, unit educators Ken Johnson and Duane developed a YouTube video on basic hydrology for virtual conservation day/Earth Day school events. Using a stream model, the video demonstrates how a river forms, what occurs if a river is straightened, development of flood plains and oxbow lakes, and the use of levees for flood control.

The video was developed at the request of the Army Corps of Engineers who host a large Earth Day event each year.

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