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Hello again from the Kimble County Extension Office! Since we spoke last month, we have had a few updates about the fever tick issues we are facing here in Texas. Not much has changed, but it seems we are still on high alert and the state seems to have isolated or contained the situation for now.

Some of you may be thinking why our office hasn't published any information pertaining to the new feral hog toxicant— I will explain the best I can. When the information first hit the scene, we found ourselves much like other entities trying to play catch up and get as much information on the product as we could before we discussed any of the topics associated with this toxicant. We were a bit left out of the loop on this product and, as an organization, we felt we needed to learn all sides of the toxicant before we sent anything out to the general public. Since then we have received information that a District judge out of Austin has temporarily blocked the toxicant. With that being said until we receive further information on this product we will not be sending information out through our offices.

I would like to encourage each of you to remain or become involved in the Kimble County Predator Management Board. This is our biggest voice and best avenue for controlling our predator situation here in Kimble County. We will attach a promotional flyer to this letter that details and outlines the board and its mission and how you can become involved.

Lastly, I would like to remind you about some upcoming educational workshops that our office is involved in. This is a great opportunity for those seeking additional CEU hours, as well as learning a great deal. A multi-county wildlife program will be held on April 11 in Llano County and a Texas Watershed Steward program is set at Texas Tech Junction on May 6 from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm. Contact our office anytime for further information or details on these workshops.

Don't forget to check out our website for a copy of this newsletter and additional information!

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