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To: District 5 County Extension Agents

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Trinity County

Subject: District 5 4-H Shooting Sports Rifle Match on April 11, 2015

Parent, Coaches, Members and Agents,

We are so honored to be hosting the District 5 4-H Shooting Sports Rifle Match on April 11, 2015 in Trinity County again this year. The contest venue will be the Trinity County Fairgrounds at the junction of Hwy 94 and Hwy 287 also known as the Y. I am attaching a map to the fairgrounds. The snack bar will be open with drinks and some food.

Counties may enter up to three (3) junior teams, three (3) intermediate teams, and three (3) senior teams. Teams will consist of 3 or 4 members. If participation does not allow for a team, individuals may enter. Entries are to be completed on 4-H connect by March 31, 2015. If paying by County 4-H Check, a copy of the county entry invoice must accompany payment to the Texas 4-H Foundation.

- **Payments** for entry in an event are due **before** the event. Entries must show as paid on 4-H Connect by Noon the Friday before the event.
- **Late payments** will result in the 4-H member not being able to place or receive awards in the event, however, the member may still participate.

We will follow the same format as last year - junior members will only compete in the prone position. They will not be allowed to use a platform, sandbag, or any other type of rest. A sling is recommended for the prone position for stability. Intermediate and senior competitors will be shooting in the three position style competition that we have used in the past – prone, standing, and kneeling.

I will need each SS coaches' contact information to allow an open line of communication for contest planning purposes. There is a field on 4-H Connect that asks for the name of a trained adult volunteer who can assist at this contest. Please make sure that this field is complete prior to certifying the entry on the county level. After each county's teams are selected I need a list of names and the times you want your members to shoot. We have room for 12 shooters each hour. The first shooters will go online each hour starting at 8:00 A.M. and have 1 hour to complete their series of targets. We generally put the shooters that live the shortest distance away in the earlier time slots so those coming greater



distances have more time. The closest motels to the Trinity County Fairgrounds are in Trinity (20 m.), Lufkin (30 m.), Crockett (25 m.), or Corrigan (20 m.).

Each competitor must provide their own ear and eye protection (both required), and their own ammunition. Targets will be provided. All rifles will be brought to the range unloaded, with bolts open. When shooters move to the line all rifles must have the open bolts with an empty chamber indicator/open bolt indicator in place. Parents, leaders, and coaches are asked to supervise their teams/youth at all times. There is zero tolerance for unsafe actions! Make sure your 4-H members, and all spectators, are aware of all safety rules. I am attaching a map for those new participants that have not been here before.

Coaches, should you have questions regarding the contest my contact information is below.

Thanks

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