# Hunters & Trappers, We Need Your Help!

Eastern Cottontail Samples Needed for Research!

#### **Purpose Of Study**

The Pennsylvania Game Commission and the Wildlife Futures Program at PennVet are studying Eastern cottontail genetics to understand how wild cottontail populations are spread out across the state and to identify barriers that may affect how cottontails move across the landscape.

### What We Need

- Top 1-2" clipping of Eastern cottontail ear (only one per rabbit)
  - Wild rabbits only, not stocked
- GPS coordinates of harvest location within 1-mile accuracy (a 'dropped pin' on Google Maps will give you Lat/Long coordinates)

#### **Instructions**

- 1) Place the ear clipping into a zip-locked bag
- 2) Fill out the Harvest Log information below and place the log inside the zip-locked bag with the ear
- 3) Store the sample in a freezer
- 4) Contact the Wildlife Health Technician from PennVet who works in your region to arrange a pick-up date. We will come to you!

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## **Eastern Cottontail Harvest Log**

Collector Name:	Phone:	Email:			
Date Harvested:					
County:					
Township:					
State Game Land (if applicable):					
GPS Coordinates within 1 mile accuracy:					
Sex (if known):					

For general questions related to the project, please email wildlifefutures@vet.upenn.edu



