

What is the Margin Protection Program (MPP)?

The Margin Protection Program (MPP) is a new safety net for dairy producers established in the 2014 Farm Bill. The MPP replaces price supports and MILC payments.

All dairy farmers will have an opportunity to participate and protect up to 90% of their milk production. Very affordable premiums and simple-to-understand design makes this a program that can make a big difference for your bottom line, should another crisis hit dairy and feed markets.

Why should you stop field-work to attend?

This workshop will feature Dr. Marin Bozic from University of Minnesota and your local Farm Service Agency representative. Dr. Bozic will present MPP rules and case studies, and through a set of engaging interactive activities, you will examine what stability and profitability advances this program offers your operation.

The official FSA decision-support tool will be available to help you make the best decision with the new MPP for your operation. Dr. Bozic is a faculty member of the group, The National Program on Dairy Markets and Policy, that developed this tool.

What should I bring?

- Laptop or Portable Device (limited quantity will be available)
- Annual Milk Marketings (pounds shipped for 2011, 2012 and 2013).



MPP Workshop
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**“Understanding the MPP is
Critical to every dairy
operation. Markets change so
rapidly and if you don’t sign-up,
there are no other programs
out there to help you. “
-Cooperative CEO**

9:30am

Registration

This workshop is free, but please pre-register at least 48-hours in advance.

10:00am

Margin Protection Program

Dr. Marin Bozic, University of Minnesota. Discover what the margin Protection Program (MPP) is and how it will work. This includes a live demonstration of the Dairy Decision Tool Software that will help you determine if your farm should participate in the program by seeing potential impacts on profitability.

11:00am

Evaluating Financial Effects

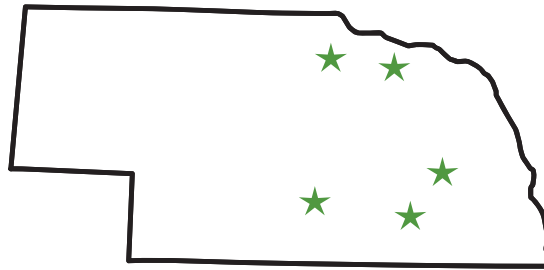
An interactive session where participants will see how the Margin Protection Program will work with their operation. Be sure to bring your laptop, and your annual milk marketings (pounds shipped) for 2011, 2012 and 2013 to make this session beneficial.

12:00pm

Lunch



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“The safety net as we know it is gone. Every dairy farmer **MUST attend one of these sessions.”**

-Bill Thiele

***Clearwater, Nebraska Dairy Farmer
President, Nebraska State
Dairy Association***

Workshop held at:

Farm Credit Services
4865 Old Monastery Rd.
Columbus, NE

Or plan to attend at an Extension Office near you:

Gage County Extension Office
402-223-1384
1115 West Scott
Beatrice, NE 68310-3514

Cedar County Extension Office
402-640-0612
101 East Centre
Hartington, NE 68739-0368

Buffalo County Extension Office
308-236-1235
1400 E. 34th (Fairgrounds)
Kearney, NE 68847-3992

Holt County Extension Office
402-336-2760
128 N. 6th St. Suite 100
O'Neill, NE 68763-1616

Registration

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With limited space at each location, pre-registration is strongly encouraged at least **48-hours** before the workshop.

Register by email at rod@nebraskamilk.org, call 402-853-2028, or call the Extension Office where you plan to attend.

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<http://www.usdairy.com/sustainability/industry-commitment>



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