### **Farm Analyst Program Overview**

The Farm Analyst Program is a service provided by K-State Research and Extension to assist producers confronting financial and business challenges.

Farm Analysts are fellow farmers and ranchers, extension agents and KFMA economists who have received extensive training through K-State Research and Extension.

Farm Analysts use a financial planning and analysis software program (FINPACK) designed to help producers understand their financial situation and make informed decisions. This software provides tools to effectively use farm records to make business analysis, long-range goals and cash-flow planning as complete, easy and meaningful as possible.

Since the start of the program in the 1980s, Farm Analysts have helped more than one thousand farmers and ranchers throughout Kansas.

Visit www.AgManager.info, contact your local K-State Extension Agent or ag lender, or call Kansas Agricultural Mediation Services (1-800-321-FARM) to find out more about the Farm Analyst program.

The K-State Research and Extension "Farm Financial Workshops" strive to provide Farm Analyst services at a lower cost to farm families. Follow-up consultations are available if workshop time is insufficient for the family's needs.

### All information provided is strictly confidential.





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### With Farm Analysts Assisting From:

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# Farm Financial Workshops

An opportunity for an individual appointment with a K-State Farm Analyst to evaluate your farm's financial performance and to plan for the future

Jan. 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>—Salina, KS Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> –Kingman, KS Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>- Colby, KS Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>- Dodge City, KS Feb. 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> – Emporia, KS



### **Program Description:**

K-State Research and Extension recognizes the financial stress that farmers and ranchers are experiencing due to low commodity prices and high input costs. We are currently seeing one of the lowest levels of farm profitability in history, with many parallels to the 1980s.

To be proactive in assisting farmers and ranchers through these difficult times, K-State Farm Financial Workshops are being offered across Kansas. The goal of this program is to pair a farm family with a Farm Analyst for a 4-hour individual appointment, turning their farm records into financial statements to assess their current financial position. From there, strengths and weaknesses can be identified and alternative scenarios will be built to increase financial security and profitability.

Workshops will expose producers to the Farm Analyst program and provide services at a reduced cost. Participation is encouraged for those farmers and ranchers who are experiencing financial stress, or simply recognize the value of a farm financial consultation. A first-year reduction in membership fees to the Kansas Farm Management Association will also be available to all workshop participants.

All information provided by participants is strictly confidential. An envelope will be provided for sealed records to be turned in that will only be viewed by Farm Analysts assigned to your family.

# Farm Financial Workshop Information:

A Farm Analyst will work directly with your family using FINPACK software to assess your current financial position and possible changes your farm could make to increase farm profitability and cash flow. Your family will come away with a balance sheet, enterprise budgets, base business plan, and alternative business plan scenarios.

- Appointment times are 4 hours long for one of the workshop days, with different starting times available
- Participation by all family members involved in the farm is highly encouraged
- \$150 fee is due at registration (eligible for \$100 off first-year membership to KFMA)
- Forms to collect farm financial information MUST be submitted to the listed contact by the deadline for that location so Farm Analysts have adequate time to prepare the analysis before the appointment
- Limited appointments are available at each location and will be filled on a first comefirst serve basis

# To register for a workshop appointment contact:

Robin Reid K-State Ag. Economics 785-532-0964 robinreid@ksu.edu

# **Locations:**

### January 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018

K-State Polytechnic Campus 2310 Centennial Road Salina, KS 67401 Park in Lot B-3

Registration Deadline Dec. 21<sup>st</sup>, 2017 Financial records must be received: Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup>

**January 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018** Kingman Mennonite Church 1620 South Main Street Kingman, KS 67068

Registration Deadline Dec. 21<sup>st</sup>, 2017 Financial records must be received: Jan. 5<sup>th</sup>

### February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Kansas Farm Management Assoc. Office 1974 W. 4th Street Colby, KS 67701

### February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Kansas Farm Management Assoc. Office 1409 E. Trail Dodge City, KS 67801

Registration Deadline Jan. 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Financial records must be received: Jan. 29<sup>th</sup>

#### **February 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018** Anderson Building 2700 W US Highway 50 Emporia, KS 67871

Registration Deadline Jan. 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Financial records must be received: Jan. 31st