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Dairy Financial Risk, Nutrient Management Workshops Planned July presentations in Cecil, Washington, Garrett counties

ANNAPOLIS, MD (June 2, 2016) – Maryland Department of Agriculture and its partners at the University of Maryland Cooperative Extension will hold three workshops in July to provide dairy farmers with financial risk management information and updates on manure management requirements beginning this winter.

"We encourage our dairy farmers to take advantage of the information being provided at these workshops," said Secretary of Agriculture Joe Bartenfelder. "This is has been a financially challenging year for the dairy sector. It is important to be aware of the tools available to assist dairy farmers."

Presenters from the University of Maryland, Penn State University, Maryland Department of Agriculture, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Farm Credit, Maryland Agricultural and Resource-Based Industry Development Corp. and others are designed to provide critical information.

The meetings will be held from 9:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m., and lunch is included. The workshops will be held at the following locations:

- **July 11 Cecil County** Extension, 200 Chesapeake Blvd., Suite 1500, Elkton (registration: 410-996-5280)
- **July 12 Washington County** Extension, 7303 Sharpsburg Pike, Boonsboro (registration: 301-405-1293)
- **July 14 Garrett County** Extension (registration: 301-405-1293).

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