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ARC/PLC Resources

As harvest continues, don't forget the deadline to make another Farm Bill election. A choice between Agricultural Risk Coverage (ARC) and Price Loss Coverage (PLC) for payments to be made in October of 2027 will be required by the December 11th deadline (*the election and enrollment period for the 2027 crop year will run from Nov. 2 through March 15, 2027*). That means it's time to evaluate options and review some of the decision-making resources available from the K-State Department of Ag Economics to help you do so.

With prices a component of both program choices, price outlooks are important. Updated monthly as NASS prices are released, two different price information projections are available (link below). The K-State projections come with a detailed explanation of where the numbers come from. Three additional price projection sources are available for cross reference as well.

A second great resource is the KSU Farm Bill Tradeoff Spreadsheet. This Excel tool (with user instructions included...) provides a visual representation of potential ARC and PLC payments based on *your* farm's information. Visit the link below to download.

One of the *best* resources will be an upcoming webinar featuring KSU Ag Economists Robin Reid and Jenny Ifft. For 90 minutes (noon to 1:30; Tuesday November 3rd), they'll provide an overview of current markets, projected commodity prices, county yields and their influence on the 2026 ARC/PLC program. Sign up for a link to the livestream (it will be recorded) at:
<https://www.agmanager.info/events/arc-vs-plc-title-i-contenders-webinar> .

Check out the webinar at the link above. Price projection resources and the Farm Bill Tradeoff Spreadsheet can be found under the Farm Bill section of K-State's Department of Agricultural Economics AgManager website: <https://www.agmanager.info/ag-policy/farm-bill-0>.