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Get the facts before starting your business

Littleton, Colo. – Those working in agriculture or contemplating a career in organic production, turning a vegetable garden into a money making endeavor, or owning a ranch or farm, should be aware of specific trends that could impact your business. To give owners or soon to be owners all the data they need to be successful business entrepreneurs, Arapahoe County is offering a series on agriculture and business management. Those interested can attend the entire five-part series or choose to attend any single workshop based on their needs. The schedule is below:

Focus Programs for 2006 – 2007

Nov. 30 – Economic Development 101

Dec. 7 – Alternative Enterprise & Niche Marketing

Jan. 25 – Water Policy & Implications for Producers

Feb. 8 – Income Tax Issues

Feb. 22 – Estate Planning

Time: 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.

Location: Arapahoe County Fairgrounds, 25690 E. Quincy Ave, Aurora, CO 80016

Registration Fee: \$40 each or \$120 for all five programs. Space is limited.

During the Economic Development 101 Workshop presented by Dennis Kaan, Agricultural and Business Management Specialist with Colorado State University (CSU) Cooperative Extension, and Craig Bond, assistant professor of Agricultural and Resource Economics at CSU, participants will learn the do's and don'ts of creating an agricultural based start-up company, receive valuable demographic statistics for Arapahoe County and the state of Colorado, and look at the driving forces behind economic development.

The five-part series focuses on important issues relevant to agricultural business: current and future economic situational analysis, water policy and implications, income tax complications, estate planning, and niche marketing. Anyone interested can call Dale Edwards 303-730-1920 or visit www.arapahoeextension.org to register. In the event of bad weather, a cancellation will be made by noon on the day of the program.

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