

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Farm Service Agency
Washington, DC 20250

Notice MPP-18

For: State and County Offices

**Announcing Registration and Coverage Election Period for Calendar Year (CY) 2016
Margin Protection Program for Dairy (MPP-Dairy)**

Approved by: Deputy Administrator, Farm Programs



1 CY 2016 MPP-Dairy Election Coverage

A Background

MPP-Dairy is a voluntary risk management program that offers protection to dairy producers when the difference between the milk price and the average feed cost (the margin) falls below the dollar amount selected by the producer.

To be eligible for MPP-Dairy, a dairy operation must:

- produce and commercially market milk from cows located in the United States
- provide proof of milk production at the time of registration
- not be enrolled in the Risk Management Agency's Livestock Gross Margin for Dairy Program.

B Purpose

This notice provides State and County Offices with the CY 2016 election coverage period for MPP-Dairy.

C Contact

If there are questions about this notice, State Offices shall contact Dani Cooke, PSD by either of the following:

- e-mail to danielle.cooke@wdc.usda.gov
- telephone at 202-720-1919.

| Disposal Date | Distribution |
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| December 1, 2015 | State Offices; State Offices relay to County Offices |

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2 Action

A State Office Action

State Offices shall ensure that County Offices:

- are immediately informed of the contents of this notice
- immediately publicize the contents of this notice by all approved available means
- reference 1-MPP and 2-MPP for policy and procedure
- forward MPP-Dairy Program questions through their State Office to the National Office.

B County Office Action

County Offices shall:

- immediately notify producers, by all approved available means, of the CY 2016 MPP-Dairy coverage election period
- forward questions about the contents of this notice to their State Office Price Support specialist
- begin accepting CCC-781 and CCC-782 beginning **July 1, 2015**, and ending COB **September 30, 2015**.

Notes: A dairy operation that has already registered for MPP-Dairy will only need to complete CCC-782, as applicable according to 1-MPP.

County Offices shall continue accepting CCC-781 and CCC-782 submitted by new dairy operation's within 90 calendar days of beginning production.