



## **Jumpstart Your Farm Business with USDA- A Series of Webinars**

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From farm loans to crop insurance, and conservation programs to disaster assistance, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is here to support you and your operation. In this workshop, you will hear from your local support staff who serve New Hampshire, from the Farm Service Agency (FSA), Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), Risk Management Agency (RMA) and Rural Development (RD), about how USDA can help you get started or grow your farming operation through a variety of programs and services. As the face of agriculture is changing USDA is leveraging its footprints to meet the needs of ALL producers. Realizing the USDA website can be a bit overwhelming when trying to do your own research, we're hopeful this presentation will help you understand how to get connected with staff and begin working with the various agencies in New Hampshire! Beginning farmers and ranchers are very much needed as the average age of the farmer continues to rise. USDA is striving to support this group of new farmers and ranchers and we invite you to join us on the journey.

### **Webinar Series Schedule and Registration Details**

**Session 1:** Getting Started with USDA, Thursday, February 15th, 12pm-1pm

- Register for Session 1: [Microsoft Virtual Events Powered by Teams](#)

**Session 2:** Risk Management Agency- Crop and Livestock Insurance Products and Deadlines, Thursday, February 22nd, 12pm-1pm.

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**Session 3:** Farm Service Agency- Farm Loan Programs and Disaster Assistance Programs, Thursday, February 29th, 12pm-1pm.

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**Session 4:** Rural Development- Value Added Producer Grant and Rural Energy for America Program, Thursday March 7th, 12pm-1pm.

- Register for Session 4: [Microsoft Virtual Events Powered by Teams](#)

**Session 5:** Natural Resources Conservation Service- Technical and Financial Assistance Programs, Thursday March 14th, 12 pm-1pm.

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## **Reasonable Accommodation**

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## **Agency Overview**

The United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Risk Management Agency (RMA), created in 1996, serves America's agricultural producers through effective, market-based risk management tools to strengthen the economic stability of agricultural producers and rural communities. RMA is committed to increasing the availability and effectiveness of Federal crop insurance as a risk management tool.

The USDA Farm Service Agency's Mission is to equitably serve all farmers, ranchers, and agricultural partners through the delivery of effective, efficient agricultural programs for all Americans.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture, through its Rural Development mission area, provides financial resources and support for rural communities, residents, and businesses. We are deeply committed to improving the economy and quality of life in rural America.

The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) supports New Hampshire's farmers and foresters by providing financial and technical resources to help them conserve soil, protect water, and provide wildlife habitat. We promote systems of conservation practices that help producers improve their operations, reduce production costs and conserve natural resources.

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