

Finally, a USDA insurance Program for the Rest of Us: Whole Farm Revenue Protection

You know that farming is uncertain and that a wide range of problems, large and small, can occur that could reduce your expected farm income next year. Risk in farming cannot be eliminated. But there are proven ways to manage risk. How do you currently manage your farming risks?



A new federal insurance program, USDA's Whole Farm Revenue Protection (WFRP), now guarantees up to 85% of your expected farm income from all crop and livestock production, including specialty or organically grown products. It is available today in every county and covers mixed farming operations of all sizes, both established and beginning, including those that direct market part or all of their production.

The USDA and Oregon State University, in cooperation with the Columbia Gorge Fruit Growers, are offering a two-hour workshop to help farmers understand WFRP. In this workshop, you'll learn how WFRP can be the core of an effective risk management strategy for all farms, including those that may already have some other form of crop insurance. (WFRP expands on the existing Federal Crop Insurance program, which insures a single commodity.) Nancy Jensen, an Oregon small farmer, will describe how she benefits from using WFRP and what this insurance costs her. You'll learn how to estimate what the WFRP benefits might be for your farm and how to calculate what your cost would be. You will also learn the next steps to take, if you decide to move forward and apply for WFRP coverage.

The Hood River WFRP workshop is on
Monday, May 1st from 2 – 4 pm at the Pine Grove Grange
2835 Van Horn Dr., Hood River, OR 97031.

Registration is not required and there is no fee to attend. Coffee & biscotti.

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For more information:

- About WFRP: Download the [WFRP Fact Sheet](#)
- About the workshop: Contact Kent Fleming at (541) 285-5678 or kent.fleming@oregonstate.edu