

CALIFORNIA DAIRY CAMPAIGN

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California Federal Milk Marketing Order – Earlier this week the state's largest cooperatives, California Dairies Inc., Dairy Farmers of America (DFA) and Land O'Lakes Inc., all officially announced they have voted in unified support of the California Federal Milk Marketing Order (CA-FMMO) as proposed by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA). CDC applauded the cooperatives and all the dairy producers across the state who voted for the CA-FMMO to bring California dairy producer prices in line with federal order prices. USDA is expected to announce the results of the referendum in early June and plans to implement the CA-FMMO by November 2018.

California Dairy Campaign (CDC) meeting with dairy producers on Monday, May 14th to work on Applications for the Alternative Manure Management Program (AMMP). The deadline for submission of the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) AMMP applications is May 22, 2018. CDFA will fund up to 100% of the total project cost with a maximum grant award of \$750,000 per project. Thank you to everyone who participated in today's workshop on the AMMP application process. A number of CDC members have already received AMMP grants and CDC is working with more dairy producers to complete applications. Meeting Details:

Date: Monday, May 14, 2018

Time: Starting at 10 am and continuing throughout the day

Location: California Dairy Campaign Turlock Office

Address: 325 Mitchell Avenue, Turlock, CA

Pramod Pandey, Ph.D., from the University of California at Davis and CDC Field Representative Joe Melo will assist dairy producers with their applications. *Dairy producers are encouraged to bring their laptops to work on their applications although laptops will also be available.* Dairy producers interested in applying for AMMP can contact Joe Melo at 209-216-7615 to schedule a time to work on their applications on Monday, May 14th. More details about the AMMP can be found online at <https://www.cdffa.ca.gov/oefi/AMMP/>

The 2018 Margin Protection Program for Dairy (MPP-Dairy) sign up continues through June 1, 2018. The changes made to the DMPP earlier this year by the *Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018* make it likely that significant payments will be made on production totaling 5 million lbs. or less due to substantial decreases in premium costs for that level of production. The MPP web tool is located at www.fsa.usda.gov/mpptool. Dairy producers can sign up at their local USDA Farm Service Agency office. Dairy producers can continue to buy up coverage through June 1, 2018.

Example According to USDA's Projected Milk Margins for 2018: A dairy with 20 million lbs. historical annual production enrolls 25% of its production (5,000,000 lbs.) at the \$8 coverage level, the premium is estimated to total \$7200, and the expected payment would total \$31,109 while the net return would amount to \$23,909.

Board and Membership Meeting May 23 in Turlock Office at 4 pm – Mark your calendars for Wednesday, May 23 for our next board and membership meeting in the California Dairy Campaign Office located at 325 Mitchell Avenue in Turlock. We will provide the latest updates on the process to establish a federal order in California, the Dairy Margin Protection Program Sign-up, the ongoing farm bill debate and other important issues. Friends and family are more than welcome to join us for a dinner and discussion.

Please RSVP to Bertha Medina at 209-632-0885. We hope to see you on May 23rd!

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