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AGMANAGER - A TOOL FOR AGRICULTURAL PRODUCERS

You've got questions, AgManager's got answers...K-State Research and Extension is known for providing research-based information to citizens across the state. As a part of a broader unit, local Extension Offices are equipped to provide sound information to serve our local agriculture producers. One of the methods that helps us to provide that information is the website agmanager.info.

AgManager.info is a website originally produced in 2002 by faculty from the Kansas State University Department of Agricultural Economics. The site serves as a comprehensive source of information, analysis, and decision-making tools for agricultural producers, agribusinesses, and others. The goal of agmanager.info is to improve the organization of web-based material and allow greater access for agricultural producers and other clientele.

The site provides a wealth of information to answer the questions of agricultural producers. Helpful information on agricultural leasing, lease law, land values, crop and livestock marketing and outlook reports, farm management, agricultural policy, income tax information and agribusiness help producers in their day-to-day operations. Several topics include features that are updated weekly. Papers, presentations and videos by K-State faculty allow producers to view timely information that affects their enterprise. Decision-making tools including U.S. Supply and Demand spreadsheets; spreadsheet programs to estimate economic benefits such as stream bank stabilization, home wastewater treatment, beef replacement tools, pasture management tools, policy and risk management; a lease simulation tool, livestock management guides and data sets make AgManager.info one of the most comprehensive and widely used university-sponsored website for applied research and economic outreach information.

In addition to weekly updates, conversations and webinars with specialists are held throughout the year to assist producers with the economic implications of their ag enterprise.

K-State Research and Extension is committed to making a difference for agricultural producers, families and consumers. For more information, visit agmanager.info or contact the Cowley County Extension Office 221-5450, 441-4565.

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