



Women Stepping Forward for Agriculture 2013 Symposium

September 17-19, 2013

Symposium Location: Sleep Inn | 1006 South Haynes Avenue | Miles City, MT 59301

The U.S. Department of Agriculture agencies in Montana, in conjunction with Montana Agri-Women, Montana Farm Bureau Women, Women Involved in Farm Economics (WIFE), Montana Cattlemen, Montana Beef Council, Ag in Montana Schools, Intertribal Agriculture Council, Montana Department of Agriculture, Montana Woolgrower Women and Montana Farmer's Union, are hosting the annual "Women Stepping Forward for Agriculture" Symposium for women involved in the promotion of Montana's agriculture. The symposium provides an avenue for women involved in the promotion of Montana's agriculture to learn about issues affecting Montana's rural agricultural communities, promote leadership development, and further support women's leadership roles within those communities.

Symposium Web site:

The Agenda, Registration Form, Booth Registration Form, Sponsorship Form and additional information are available at: www.fsa.usda.gov/mt - (look under State Events).

Registration:

Registration cost \$60. To register, submit registration form and payment by Aug. 30, 2013 (postmarked). Register early - seating is limited! Late registration cost \$75 after Aug. 30, 2013 (postmarked) - space permitting. Contact Michelle Edwards, USDA/FSA, at michelle.edwards@mt.usda.gov or (406) 873-5618, ext. 2 for questions regarding registration.

Lodging/Host Hotel:

A block of rooms has been reserved at the Sleep Inn (1006 South Haynes Avenue in Miles City). Participants are to identify themselves as part of the Women Stepping Forward for Agriculture Symposium group. To can make reservations through the Sleep Inn at (406) 232-3000. For the special room rate of \$77 + tax for a Single & \$87 + tax for a Double, rooms must be reserved by **Sept. 2, 2013**.

Additional Lodging Options:

Additional rooms are available near the symposium at Best Western War Bonnet Inn at (406) 234-4560 at the group rate of \$77 plus tax (single) and \$83 plus tax (double). Other lodging options include: Holiday Inn Express Miles City: (800) 939-4249; Econo Lodge Miles City: (406) 232-8880; Comfort Inn Miles City: (406) 234-3141; Super 8 Miles City: (406) 234-5261; Guesthouse International: (406) 232-3661.

Booth Registration/Sponsors:

Booth registration cost \$100 and includes registration for one person. To register your booth and/or to help sponsor the symposium, contact Maria Braun, at kevinb@midrivers.com and (406) 778-2703.

For More Information: For more information or to get a registration form, contact your local USDA Service Center, the Montana organizations listed above, or by visiting the Website at www.fsa.usda.gov/mt (under 'State Events'). You may also contact Jennifer Cole, USDA/FSA, at (406) 587-6786 or jennifer.cole@mt.usda.gov