November 12th, 2003

Dear Price County Farmers,

It's once again time for our office to gather input from our clients to help us plan our educational programs for the next several years. I'm very interested in hearing from you to find out what issues you think are most important to the farm community in Price County.

Will you do me a favor? I'd appreciate it if you would take a few minutes to fill out the survey below. When you're finished, please return it to me in the enclosed self-addressed envelope (we've paid the postage). **Please return the survey to me no later than Wednesday, November 26th. Thank you!**

Best wishes,

Mark Kopecky
Agriculture and Natural Resources Agent

Instructions: Please rate the importance of each of the issues or topics listed below, using the scale 0 = low interest/importance, 5 = high interest/importance:

1. Dairy Production and Management	1	2	3	4	5
Increasing milk per cow	___	___	___	___	___
Dairy cow reproduction	___	___	___	___	___
Dairy cow nutrition	___	___	___	___	___
Dairy herd health	___	___	___	___	___
Mastitis prevention/management	___	___	___	___	___
Dairy herd biosecurity	___	___	___	___	___
Heifer management	___	___	___	___	___
Milking, housing, and feeding systems	___	___	___	___	___
Dairy expansion planning and analysis	___	___	___	___	___

Other (list)_____

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2. Forage and Grain Crop Production and Management	1	2	3	4	5
Forage species and variety selection	___	___	___	___	___
Forage establishment methods	___	___	___	___	___
Fertilizer and nutrient management	___	___	___	___	___
Harvesting and storage systems	___	___	___	___	___
Corn silage management and feeding	___	___	___	___	___
Corn grain production	___	___	___	___	___
Soybean production	___	___	___	___	___
Small grain production	___	___	___	___	___
Forage quality (analysis and management)	___	___	___	___	___

Other (list)_____

3. Managed Grazing Systems					
Grazing system development	___	___	___	___	___
Grazing system management	___	___	___	___	___

Other (list)_____

4. Beef Production					
Cow-calf system management	___	___	___	___	___
Feeder calf systems	___	___	___	___	___

Other (list) _____

5. Sustainable Agriculture Systems	1	2	3	4	5
Measuring enterprise profitability	___	___	___	___	___
Low cost production systems	___	___	___	___	___
Alternative and value-added enterprises	___	___	___	___	___
Options for farm transfers	___	___	___	___	___
Alternative farm business arrangements	___	___	___	___	___
Alternative marketing options (cooperatives, regional purchasing organizations, etc.)	___	___	___	___	___
Profitable part-time farming	___	___	___	___	___

Other (list)_____

6. Farm Financial Management					
Determining land rental rates	___	___	___	___	___
Pricing standing and stored crops	___	___	___	___	___
Farm financial analysis	___	___	___	___	___
Cost of production calculations	___	___	___	___	___

Other (list)_____

7. Agricultural Risk Management					
Crop insurance	___	___	___	___	___
Marketing (hedging, cash pricing, etc.)	___	___	___	___	___
Environmental risk management	___	___	___	___	___
Employee management	___	___	___	___	___

Other (list)_____

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8. Natural Resources Management	1	2	3	4	5

Private woodlot management	___	___	___	___	___
Enhancing wildlife habitat	___	___	___	___	___
Controlling wildlife damage	___	___	___	___	___
Conservation cost-sharing programs	___	___	___	___	___
Land use planning	___	___	___	___	___
Shoreland and wetland issues and management	___	___	___	___	___
Property boundary issues and trespassing	___	___	___	___	___
Property taxes / zoning / government regulations	___	___	___	___	___
Conflicts between conservation and development	___	___	___	___	___
Endangered species	___	___	___	___	___
Invasive species	___	___	___	___	___
Income opportunities from rural property	___	___	___	___	___

Other (list)_____

If there are other issues you feel are important, please list them below: