

## Sample Dairy Evaluation

*Note to Agents – This is a sample evaluation that you can adapt to meet your county and programs. It is also available on Qualtric to edit, distribute to clients, analysis, and share with specialists electronically.*

*The items on the evaluation align with KERS program indicators and the sample success story that is available.*

The \_\_\_\_\_ County Extension Service takes pride in providing programs and resources to benefit dairy operations. In order to serve you, our staff would appreciate you taking a few minutes to complete this survey.

How did you access Extension information on dairy over the past year? *Select all that apply.*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Program / Meeting<br><input type="checkbox"/> Field Day<br><input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter<br><input type="checkbox"/> Farm visit<br><input type="checkbox"/> Phone call, email or office visit | <input type="checkbox"/> Website<br><input type="checkbox"/> Webinars<br><input type="checkbox"/> Social media<br><input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
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Which Extension diagnostic services did you utilize related to dairy production? *Select all that apply.*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Soil test<br><input type="checkbox"/> Hay test<br><input type="checkbox"/> Plant/Weed identification | <input type="checkbox"/> Pest or insect identification<br><input type="checkbox"/> Animal disease |
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Did the diagnostic information influence the decisions that you made in treating soil, weeds, or invasive species?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
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Did the diagnostics information influence decisions you made about animal nutrition or animal health?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
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During the last 12 months, which practices related to dairy production was influenced by Extension?

<b><i>Dairy</i></b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Made business management changes such as genetics and/or reproduction, business management and/or facilities		
Maintained or improved herd quality and health including nutrition and /or milk management/mastitis control		
Other:		

Comment:

How many cows in herd improved health, well-being, quality of milk and/or quantity of milk over the past 12 months? \_\_\_\_\_

In the past 12 months, did you use the following practices related to silage or forage?

<b>Forage/ Silage</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Included interseeding clover/ legume, using cover crops and/or alternative forage species		
Used Extension recommendations to improve quality of haylage		
Used Extension recommendations to improve quality of silage storage		
Developed or implemented a grazing plan		
Used temporary fencing		
Conducted on-farm demonstrations or applied research trials		
Planted or started using any alternative forage for grazing		
Other		

Comment:

In the past 12 months, which water quality and soil conservation practices did you use?

<b>Water Quality and Soil Conservation</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Implemented one or more best practices for soil/water quality		
Developed or updated an Ag Water Quality Plan		
Developed or implemented nutrient management plan		
Adjusted rate, timing, placement and/or sources to increase nutrient use efficiency		
Implemented one or more best practices to increase ground cover for soil protection		
Implemented one or more best practices for improving water quality		
Implemented one or more best practices to protect stream banks or stream buffer zones		
Other		

Comment:

In the past year, did you adopt or improve the following management practices?

<b>Farm Management and Economics</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Improved or maintained record keeping practices		
Incorporated technology to effectively manage farm operations		
Applied marketing techniques for milk and/or dairy products		
Adopted new technologies in agriculture production		
Adopted safety practices or adapted equipment		
Improved equipment or facilities		
Increased profits, reduced expenses and/or reduced risk		
Other		

Comment:

As a results of applying information you receive from Extension, how did it influence your agriculture operation?

<b><i>Ag Extension Leadership</i></b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Shared information about agriculture or the environment issues locally		
Advocated for agriculture and/or environmental issues locally		
Shared information about agriculture and/or environment issues with elected officials		
Advised, assisted or mentored a new or beginning agriculture producer		
Other		

Comment:

Share your thoughts and suggestions to improve future programs and services.