

Crop Budgeting and Planning for 2018

(Lena) Crop margins are projected to be extremely tight in 2018, especially in less predictable production areas. Tight margins create both challenges and opportunities as producers prepare for the 2018 cropping season. UW-Extension of Marinette, Florence, and Oconto Counties are sponsoring a workshop designed to help producers analyze crop budgets as they make crop rotation, crop insurance coverage, and management practice decisions.

The event is being held at the Lena Town Hall (intersection of Goatsville and Jagiello Roads - northwest of the Village of Lena) on Friday, December 8th, starting at 9:45 a.m. The producers and consultants attending this event will focus on costs of production and likely revenue for area crops, developing 2018 crop budgets for primary crops.

The group will analyze how changes in production practices such as weed control, fertilization, hybrid/cultivar selection, or seeding rates may affect overall per acre profitability, due to effects on both costs and production. The analysis process will be facilitated by Scott Reuss, UW-Extension Crops/Soils Agent, but will be driven by the producers and agronomists in attendance.

This program is free for all producers and consultants to attend. Attendees are welcome to bring their laptops along so that they can receive and work on the spreadsheets that will be utilized. Pre-registration is appreciated, but not required. To register, or if you have any questions about the program, contact Reuss at 715-732-7510 or e-mail scott.reuss@ces.uwex.edu

If you are unable to attend this event, but want to discuss cropping issues on your farm, contact Reuss to set up an appointment. Please call the Marinette County UW-Extension office, 715-732-7510 or 1-877-884-4408, to request any type of accommodation or assistance that you may require to attend this event. All requests will be kept confidential. <http://www.uwex.edu/es/cty/marinette>