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## **Disabled farmers and ranchers learn ways to stay in business** *Arapahoe County hosts AgrAbility Workshop Feb. 10*

**Aurora, Colo.**— Arapahoe County's CSU Extension will host a free AgrAbility Workshop for disabled farmers and ranchers, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., Feb. 10 at the Arapahoe County Fairgrounds, 25690 E. Quincy Ave., Aurora.

The workshop will cater to those in the agricultural profession who face physical challenges like visual impairments, back problems, knee, hip, and joint problems, Multiple Sclerosis, arthritis, amputations, hearing difficulties and other disabilities. It will show easy ways to maintain mobility while working on the farm or ranch, what to look for when purchasing new equipment and tools, and ways to modify existing equipment for ease of use and to prevent further injuries.

The workshop also is open to health care, physical therapy and vocational rehabilitation providers who serve disabled farmers and ranchers.

To attend, call Dr. Bob Fetsch at 1-970-491-5648 or by e-mail to [fetsch@cahs.colostate.edu](mailto:fetsch@cahs.colostate.edu). Lunch will be provided at noon to all registered attendees.

Colorado State University Extension and Easter Seals Colorado work together on the Colorado AgrAbility Project to provide on-site evaluations, resource information, disability workshops, equipment modification and assistive technology. The two agencies work closely with the Colorado Division of Vocational Rehabilitation. The USDA's Cooperative State Research, Education and Extension Service provides funding for the Colorado AgrAbility Project.

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