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Arapahoe County hosts AgrAbility Workshop for disabled farmers and ranchers

Aurora, Colo.— Arapahoe County's CSU Extension will host a free AgrAbility Workshop on Tractor Access and Comfortable Operation for disabled farmers and ranchers, 9 a.m. to Noon, Feb. 10 at the Arapahoe County Fairgrounds, 25690 E. Quincy Ave., Aurora.

The workshop will focus on ways to modify tractor equipment and change tractor operations for those in the agricultural profession who face physical challenges, such as visual impairments, back problems, knee, hip, and joint problems, Multiple Sclerosis, arthritis, amputations, hearing difficulties or other disabilities.

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

To attend the free workshop, call Dr. Bob Fetsch at 1-970-491-5648 or by e-mail to fetsch@cahs.colostate.edu. Lunch will be provided at noon to all pre-registered attendees.

Colorado State University Extension and Goodwill Industries 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.

For more information on Arapahoe County's CSU Extension, please visit www.arapahoeextension.org or call 303-730-1920.

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