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This year, the U.S. Congress extended the 2008 Farm Bill to cover agricultural production in 2013.

The extension of this legislation requires producers to again make an election regarding which FSA farm program they will enroll under the traditional DCP program or the newer ACRE program.

It is important in making this decision that producers understand how each program has performed in the past and how it is anticipated to perform for 2013.

To assist producers with this decision, UNL Extension Agricultural Economics will be offering two online webinars on April 29 and May 3 from 10:30 a.m. to noon CT.

This webinar provides an opportunity for producers to re-educate themselves on the functional workings of the ACRE and DCP programs, as well as expert analysis of how these programs might extend risk management protection in the near future. Staff will also demonstrate the updated Nebraska ACRE Model Excel program available for download at <http://agecon.unl.edu/farbill>.

Scheduled speakers include Dr. Brad Lubben, UNL Extension Public Policy Specialist, and Tim Lemmons, UNL Extension Educator.

Interested public may join this event at the following web address: <http://connect.unl.edu/farbillmeeting>. There is no charge to participate.

If you do not have access to a computer or high speed internet, the Chase County Extension office will be hosting a download site at 135 West 5th Street in Imperial. This meeting will also be recorded and made available at a later date at [cropwatch.unl.edu](http://cropwatch.unl.edu).

Registration for this event is not required. For questions, please contact Robert Tigner at the UNL Extension office, 308-882-4731.