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## THE DISSOLUTION AND EVOLUTION OF AGRICULTURAL CO-OPERATIVES: HISTORIC REFLECTIONS AND FUTURE PROJECTIONS FEATURING DR. MURRAY FULTON

**Date: Wednesday, May 7**

**Time: 12:00 - 1:00 PM CST**

**(Saskatchewan time)**

**Where: on Zoom (free to attend)**



A recent trip to New Zealand, along with some reading of economic history, has caused me to reflect on the origins and ongoing role of agricultural co-operatives. As events today in New Zealand illustrate, the economic reasons for co-ops remain as relevant as ever, as do the financial, behavioural, and governance challenges that they face. Yet, consideration of these economic factors does not offer a full explanation for the dramatic development of agricultural co-ops in the latter part of the 19th century and the beginning part of the 20th century. What else was happening then that would help explain the development of agricultural co-ops?

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