

Easy Farmer's Casserole

Ingredients:

Nonstick cooking spray

3 cups frozen shredded hash brown potatoes

3/4 cup shredded Monterey Jack cheese with jalapeno peppers or shredded cheddar cheese

1 cup diced cooked ham, or Canadian-style bacon

1/4 cup sliced green onions (2)

4 beaten eggs or 1 cup refrigerated or frozen egg product, thawed

1-1/2 cups milk or one 12-ounce can evaporated milk or evaporated fat-free milk

1/8 teaspoon salt

1/8 teaspoon black pepper

Directions:

1 Coat a 2-quart square baking dish with nonstick cooking spray. Arrange potatoes evenly in the bottom of the dish. Sprinkle with cheese, ham, and green onions.

2 In a bowl combine eggs, milk, salt, and pepper. Pour egg mixture over potato mixture in dish.

3 Bake, uncovered, in a 350 degree F oven for 40 to 45 minutes or until a knife inserted near the center comes out clean. Let stand 5 minutes before serving. Makes 6 servings.

4 Make-ahead directions: Prepare as above through step 2. Cover and chill for up to 24 hours. Bake, uncovered, in a 350 degree oven for 50 to 55 minutes or until a knife inserted

near the center comes out clean. Let stand 5 minutes before serving.