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## Stockton Service Center FSA Updates

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### From Jeff's Desk

Greetings from your FSA staff at the Stockton Service Center. Thank you for taking time to read these important updates and reminders found in your GovDelivery Newsletter. This year is going by so fast and I would like to take this time to reach out to all of our producers letting them know what is going on at the office.

Some of you have already come into the office and filed your 2014 crop reports but for those of you who have not, pick up the phone and give us a call and set up an appointment. We have hired 4 new people in the office and we are trying to train them on entering the acreage reports so we need your help call us before July 15.

The Livestock Disaster Assistance Program has really kept this office very busy, but in case you may know someone who has not signed up for this program let them know about FSA.

That's enough about the office, from my staff and myself we would like to wish everybody a Happy 4th of July.

### USDA'S FARM SERVICE AGENCY (FSA) OFFERS FARM BILL WEBSITE AND ONLINE OVERVIEW OF FARM BILL PROGRAMS

The Agricultural Act of 2014 (the Act), also known as the 2014 Farm Bill, was signed by President Obama on Feb. 7, 2014. The Act repeals certain

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programs, continues some programs with modifications, and authorizes several new programs administered by the Farm Service Agency (FSA). Most of these programs are authorized and funded through 2018.

**Erick Rodriguez**

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For the latest on 2014 Farm Bill programs administered by FSA, please visit our Farm Bill website at [www.fsa.usda.gov/farmbill](http://www.fsa.usda.gov/farmbill) and for an FSA program overview please read, download and/or print our recently posted FSA Farm Bill Fact Sheet titled, [What's in the 2014 Farm Bill for Farm Service Agency Customers?](#)

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For more information on FSA, please contact your local USDA Service Center or visit us online at [www.fsa.usda.gov](http://www.fsa.usda.gov).

**Next County Committee  
Meeting: June 26, 2014 at  
8:30 am**

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## LIVESTOCK DISASTER ASSISTANCE SIGN-UP STILL UNDERWAY

Livestock disaster program enrollment opened on April 15, 2014. These disaster programs are authorized by the 2014 Farm Bill as permanent programs and provide retroactive authority to cover losses that occurred on or after Oct. 1, 2011.

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## FARM RECONSTITUTIONS

When changes in farm ownership or operation take place, a farm reconstitution is necessary. The reconstitution — or recon — is the process of combining or dividing farms or tracts of land based on the farming operation.

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## BANK ACCOUNT CHANGES

Current policy mandates that FSA payments be electronically transferred into a bank account. In order for timely payments to be made, producers need to notify the FSA county office when an account has been changed or if another financial institution purchases the bank where payments are sent. Payments can be delayed if the FSA office is not aware of updates to bank accounts and routing numbers.

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