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**Next County Committee  
Meeting:**

December, 10, 2013  
at 9:00 AM

**2014 Reporting of Perennial Forage**

All producers are reminded that the acreage reporting date for 2014 perennial forage (Native Grass for Grazing) is **Dec. 15, 2013**. Please call for an appointment to certify your acreage. For other reporting deadlines see the table below. If your crop is not listed feel free to call the office for more information.

2014 REPORTING DEADLINES	CROP(S)-for all California counties unless otherwise noted
May 31, 2013	NAP Nursery
September 15, 2013	Strawberries planted 6/15/13- 8/15/13
September 30, 2013	NAP Value Loss(e.g. floriculture)
November 15, 2013	Perennial Forage(e.g. Native grass)
January 2, 2014	NAP honey
January 15, 2014	Strawberries planted 8/16/13 -11/15/13
March 15, 2014	Alfalfa seed(spring), barley(spring), Strawberries(all other plant dates)

**Non Insured Disaster Assistance Program (NAP)**

The noninsured crop disaster assistance program (NAP) is a federally funded program that helps producers reduce their risk when growing food and fiber crops, specialty crops and crops for livestock feed. These benefits are only available for crops for which the catastrophic level of crop insurance is not available. Application for coverage must be filed by the applicable crop's application closing date.

Production records for all crops must be reported to FSA no later than the acreage reporting date for the crop for the following year. FSA requires that any production reported in a loss year be verified according to agency specifications. NAP losses must be reported within 15 days of loss.

2014 NAP Application Closing Dates	
CROPS	CLOSING DATE
Forage Crops, Intended Use of FG, Hay (Mechanically Harvested)	12/01/2013
Forage Crops, Intended Use of GZ, Grazing	12/01/2013
Honey	12/01/2013

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## 2013 County Committee Elections

The election of agricultural producers to the Farm Service Agency (FSA) county committees is important to all farmers and ranchers. It is crucial that every eligible producer participate in these elections because FSA county committees are a link between the agricultural community and the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

County Committee (COC) members are a critical component of FSA operations. The intent is to have the COC reflect the diversity of producers and represent all constituents. This means that minorities, women or lower income producers need to be on the committee to speak for underrepresented groups.

County Committee election ballots will be mailed to eligible voters on Nov. 4, 2013. The last day to return completed ballots to the USDA Service Center is Dec. 2, 2013.

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