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Humboldt/Lander Counties FSA Updates

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2010 Livestock Forage Program (LFP)

Nevada USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) State Executive Director Clint Koble announced on March 15, 2012 that Nevada has been granted authority to conduct a **2010 Livestock Forage Program (LFP)** signup until **June 11, 2012** for Humboldt County.

LFP provides payments to eligible livestock producers that have suffered livestock grazing losses due to qualifying drought or fire. Fire losses apply only to federally managed rangeland. Eligible livestock under LFP include beef cattle, alpacas, buffalo, beefalo, dairy cattle, deer, elk, emus, equine, goats, llamas, poultry, reindeer, sheep and swine. For losses due to drought, qualifying drought ratings are determined using the U.S. Drought Monitor located at

http://www.drought.unl.edu/dm/monitor.html.

In order for an LFP applicant to qualify for program benefits, the applicant must have purchased coverage on their grazing crops through FSA's Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP). Producers who meet the requirements of a socially disadvantaged, limited resource, or beginning farmers or ranchers, as defined in the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990, Section 2501 (e) (7 U.S.C. 2279(e)), do not have to meet this Risk Management Purchase Requirement (RMPR) and, therefore, are not required to have purchased NAP coverage.

LFP program applicants should note that in addition to risk management provisions, certain payment limitation and

Chairman: Fred Wilkinson Vice-Chair: Debbie Hummel Members: Susan Kern Theresa Marvel Tom Reichert Meetings are held the second Tuesday of the month at 10:00 a.m. (subject to change)

Dates to Remember

May 28th - Office will be closed for Memorial Day.

Noninsured Crop 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

adjusted gross income eligibility requirements must be met in order to qualify for livestock disaster program benefits. If you are interested in applying for 2010 LFP, please contact the Winnemucca FSA Office at (775) 623-5025 to schedule an appointment. To insure a smooth application process, producers should have all required supporting documentation with them at the time they visit our office to apply for benefits. Please contact the office to determine what supporting documentation is needed for your application.

DCP/ACRE Sign-up Deadline is nearing

The 2012 Direct and Counter-cyclical Program (DCP) enrollment runs from Jan. 23, 2012 through June 1, 2012. Here are some IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

All producers planting on **DCP base** acres must be identified on the DCP/ACRE contract and receive a proportionate share of DCP/ACRE payment for the farm.

Changes on the farm after June 1 enrollment in DCP/ACRE **must** be reported to your local FSA office.Changes may include:

- a) Ownership changes
- b) Producer changes (Individuals and Entities)

c) Change in crop shares arrangements.

No changes can be made after Sept. 30, 2012.

Please call the office today to set up an appointment. Less than a month left for enrollment.

Acreage Certification

Time is nearing for producers to certify their 2012 acreage. Filing an accurate acreage report for all crops and land uses, including failed acreage and prevented planting acreage, can prevent the loss of program benefits.

Failed acreage must be reported within 15 days of the disaster event and before disposition of the crop. Prevented planting must be reported no later than 15 days after the final planting date.

Acreage reports are required for many FSA programs. For crops enrolled in programs other than NAP (Noninsured Crop

filed by the applicable crop's application closing date.

Production records and applications for payment 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 verifiable according to Agency specifications. NAP Losses must be reported within 15 days of loss.

Contact your FSA County Office for other deadlines and more information about the NAP Program.



FARM LOAN PROGRAMS

The Farm Service Agency is committed to providing family farmers with loans to meet their farm credit needs. If you are having trouble getting the Disaster Assistance Program), acreage reports are to be certified by the June 15th deadline on small grains and a July 15th deadline on all other crops.

Acreage reports on crops covered by NAP are due in the county office by the earlier of **June 15th** for small grains and **July 15th** for all other crops, or 15 calendar days before the onset of harvest or grazing of the specific crop acreage being reported.

For Farm Loan interest rates click here: <u>http://www.fsa.usda.gov/FSA/webapp?area=home&subject=f</u> <u>mlp&topic=dfl-ir</u>

