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SPECIAL MESSAGE TO THE BEST FARMERS IN THE NATION FROM YOUR CED

As of June 6, 2008, after 40 years and 10 months service with Farm Service Agency, I've decided to take some time to improve my health, so I can begin to enjoy another phase of my life. My official retirement date will be November 3, 2008. It has been an honor and pleasure serving as your County Executive Director. Thanks for your support and cooperation given me throughout the years. It was greatly appreciated. Should you wish to contact me, my home address is 603 Cedar St., Louisburg, NC 27549, or you can reach me by my personal email: janej_williams@hotmail.com.

AUGUST 15th – THE FINAL DATE FOR CROP CERTIFICATION

The final date for certifying crops for the 2008 crop year is August 15th. Any crops reported after this date will be assessed a late-filed fee. Any crops **planted** after August 15th must be reported within 15 days of completion of planting, in order to be considered timely filed.

Producers are reminded that all crop acreages, crop shares and planting dates must be reported exactly the same at both the FSA Office and the Crop Insurance Agent's Office.

SIGNUP DEADLINE FOR LIVESTOCK COMPENSATION PROGRAM (LCP)

Livestock producers have until **July 18, 2008**, to enroll in the 2005 – 2007 Livestock Compensation Program (LCP). Signup began on Sept. 10, 2007, to provide aid to livestock producers who suffered eligible livestock or livestock feed losses between Jan. 1, 2005, and Dec. 30, 2007, because of a natural disaster. **Franklin County was only approved for crop year 2007.**

CROP DISASTER PROGRAM (CDP) SIGNUP CONTINUES

FSA continues to accept applications and make payments for quantity losses under the Crop Disaster Program, for losses that occurred before the end of the 2007 calendar year. **Only producers who obtained crop insurance coverage or coverage under the NAP for the year of the loss will be eligible for disaster benefits.**

CRP & NAP CERTIFICATION

Conservation Reserve Program acreage must be reported to receive annual rental payments. Crop acreage for Non-insured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) must also be reported. For a complete listing of deadlines for purchasing NAP insurance for 2009 crops, see the attached sheet entitled, "**2009 NAP Application Closing Dates**".

CANDIDATE NOMINATIONS FOR FSA COUNTY COMMITTEE ELECTION

Each year an election is held in a Local Administrative Area (LAA) to replace the committee member whose three-year term is expiring. This year's election will be held in LAA-1, consisting of Franklinton, Hayesville and Louisburg townships. Candidate nominations for the election will be accepted June 15 through Aug. 1. Producers residing in the LAA holding the election and who participate or cooperate in an FSA program and are of legal voting age may be nominated to serve on the county committee. Individuals may nominate themselves or others as candidates. Also, organizations representing socially disadvantaged minorities and women farmers may also nominate candidates. **The completed nomination form must be returned to the county office by the close of business on Aug. 1, or postmarked by midnight Aug. 1, 2008, and must be signed by the person being nominated, indicating agreement to serve if elected.** The nomination form, FSA-669A is attached.

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