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Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP)

The Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) is a federally funded program designed to reduce financial losses that occur when damaging weather or adverse natural occurrences cause a catastrophic loss of production of an eligible crop or agricultural commodity. The payment limitation for NAP is \$100,000 per "person" per year.

Sales Closing Date for Value Loss Crops for Crop Year 2007

The sales closing date for value loss crops such as **floriculture, nursery, aquaculture and Christmas trees** will be **September 1, 2006**.

Vegetable, forage, honey and other crops will be December 1, 2006.

How are Payments Calculated?

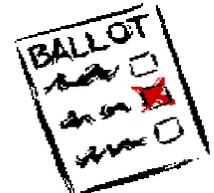
For value loss crops such as nursery and aquaculture, NAP coverage pays for the loss of value in excess of 50% of the total value. NAP payments are then made at 55% of the established market price.

How Much Does It Cost?

A nonrefundable service fee in an amount that is equal to the lesser of \$100 per crop per administrative county; or \$300 per producer, per administrative county, but not to exceed a total of \$900 for multiple county producers.

Acreage Reporting

Only crops for which a unit acreage report is on file with the FSA office will be eligible for NAP assistance. Unit acreage certification must include all acreage of the eligible crop, and each crop in the event of multiple planting, in which, during the crop year the producer has an interest in the county.



2006 County Committee Elections Reminder!

LOCAL ADMINISTRATIVE AREA (LAA) C or 3, includes the Kawaihau zone of (4)-4-8' and (4)-4-9's, the sections known as: Anahola, Aliomanu, Papaa and the Moloaa area. Plus, the entire Hanalei Tax Map Key zone of (4)-5's.

Nominations Ballot due by **August 1, 2006**

Ballots will be mailed to eligible voters by **November 3**.

Ballots must be returned or post marked to the Kauai County FSA office by **December 4**.

Ballots will be counted at the FSA office in Lihue on **December 11, 2006** at 9:00 a.m.

Please follow the voting instructions carefully. **Only signed ballots will be counted.**

**National Animal Identification
System (NAIS) Workshop**

August 10, 2006 State Office Building:
Conference Room A, B, & C,
Lihue 5:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.

The intent of the National Animal Identification System is to provide for rapid and efficient response to animal disease outbreaks. Tracing an animal to the locations used during its lifetime allows a focused response to livestock diseases, which helps to ensure animal health, consumer confidence, and access to markets.

This free workshops will introduce livestock owners and managers to NAIS and answer questions about it. The premises identification process will be explained, and information on how to register livestock premises will be provided. Participants who wish to register their premises at the workshop are encouraged to bring information about their premises location (s); SUCH AS A PHYSICAL ADDRESS, Tax Map Key number(s), and / or GPS coordinates to assist with the registration process.

The workshop are free,, although pre-registration is requested as space is limited. **People who own or manage cattle, horses, sheep, swine, goats and / or poultry—whether commercial, hobbyist, or 4-H / FFA members—are urged to attend**

If you have a disability and require a special accommodation to attend a workshop, please notify Dr. Thorne at least a week in advance of the workshop date.

To pre-register or for more information, contact:

Dr. Mark Thorne
State Range Extension Specialist
Phone: 808-887-6183
Email: thornem@hawaii.edu

Or, contact the Kauai UH-CTAHR Cooperative Extension Service agent at 274-3471



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