### UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Farm Service Agency Washington, DC 20250 **Notice CRP-793** 

For: State and County Offices

# **Preparing for 2015 CRP Payments**

**Approved by:** Acting Deputy Administrator, Farm Programs



### 1 Overview

# A Background

CRP payments are made each year on or about October 1.

In preparation for 2015 CRP payments, the following reports have been made available to assist the field offices to ensure payments are issued promptly and correctly:

- Conservation Contract Maintenance System (CCMS) Status Reports
- CCMS 578 Compliance Reports
- Common Payment Reports (CPR) Pre-Payment Report
- AGI Reduction Report.

### **B** Purpose

This notice provides guidance about using these reports.

Disposal Date	Distribution
March 1, 2016	State Offices; State Offices relay to County Offices

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### **2** CCMS Status Report

### **A Introduction to CCMS Status Searches**

Conservation Payments software will **only** queue payments for contracts that are in a CCMS status of:

- Approved
- Expired
- Terminated (Replaced)
- Terminated.

To identify contracts not in an eligible payment status and determine if a modification can be completed before payments are issued, users shall search by the following statuses using the CCMS "contract status" option on the Search Contract Screen:

- Frozen Due to Start Date Correction
- Revision Finalized
- Revision in Process
- Revision Pending COC Approval (Finalized)
- Start Date Correction in Progress
- Terminated (Pending Finalization and Approval).

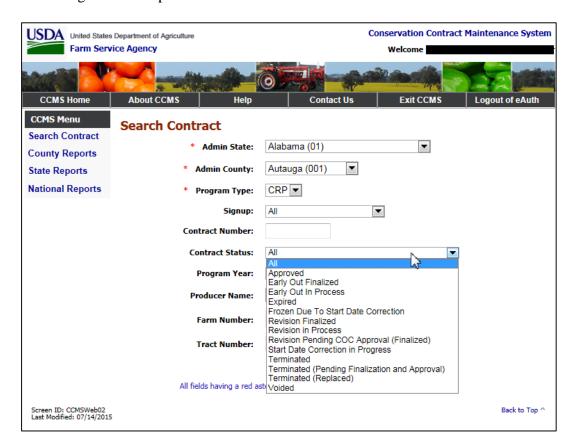
# **2** CCMS Status Report (Continued)

# **B** Instructions for Generating CCMS Status Searches

Users shall take the following steps to search by Contract Status in CCMS.

Step	Action
1	Select the "Search Contract" option on the CCMS left navigation menu.
2	Select the applicable Admin State and Admin County from the drop down menu.
3	Select Program Type "CRP" (default).
4	Select the applicable contract status identified in subparagraph A.
5	CLICK "Search".

Following is an example of the Search Contract Screen:



Once the user clicks "Search", if there are contracts in the selected status, the Select Contract Screen will be displayed showing all contracts currently in that status for the selected county. If there are no contracts currently in the selected status, the following message will be displayed, "Error: There were no Contracts found. Please revise your search criteria and try again."

**Note:** If there are more than 10 contracts, the results will be displayed on additional pages. Users shall navigate to additional pages using the arrows below the list.

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### **2** CCMS Status Report (Continued)

### C Action on CCMS Status Searches

Follow CCMS User Guide V2.1 Parts 7 and 8 to resolve the contracts on the report(s) before the October payment batch is run.

The CCMS User Guide is available at

https://sharepoint.fsa.usda.net/states/cepd/userguides/default.aspx.

# 3 CCMS 578 Compliance Report

# **A Introduction to CCMS 578 Compliance Report**

Users can access the CCMS 578 Compliance Report that has been developed in CCMS to identify farms that will fail the 578 compliance validation in the Conservation Payments software. Any contract that does not have CRP acres reported on the FSA-578 equal to the contract acres will appear on this report.

This report can be run at any time but the data is updated nightly. The last update time is posted on the report.

# **B** Instructions for Generating CCMS 578 Compliance Report

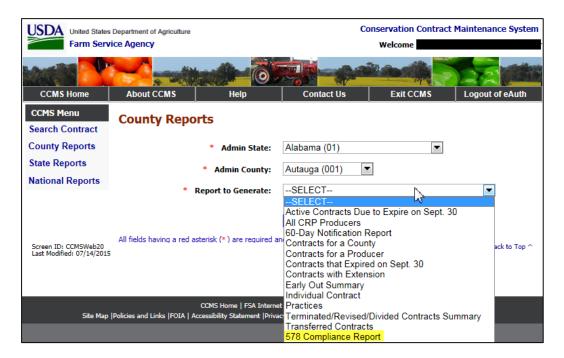
Users shall follow the following steps to generate the 578 Compliance Report in CCMS:

Step	Action	
1	Select the "County Reports" option on the CCMS left navigation menu.	
2	Select the applicable Admin State and Admin County.	
3	Select "578 Compliance Report" in the "Report to Generate" drop down menu.	
4	Select contract number, farm number, or producer name in the "Sort By" drop	
	down menu.	
5	CLICK "Generate Report".	

#### **3 CCMS 578 Compliance Report (Continued)**

# **B** Instructions for Generating CCMS 578 Compliance Report

Following is an example of the County Reports Screen.



The results will be populated in a separate Excel workbook. The files contain the farm number, contract number, total CRP-1 practice acres, total CRP acres certified, difference in practice acres and certified acres, and the primary producer name.

# C Action on CCMS 578 Compliance Report

Users shall review farms identified on the report to determine if all FSA-578 data has been correctly loaded and certified in the Crop Acreage Reporting System (CARS) software.

#### 4 AGI Reduction Report

#### A Source, Purpose, and Distribution

An ad hoc AGI reduction report is generated on a weekly basis by Kansas City. The Prepayment Report for CRP annual rental payments available in CPR, does not contain the CRP contract number when displaying AGI reductions for a producer. The AD Hoc AGI Report provides the user with the State, county, producer, and CRP contract number to help identify contract numbers when a producer has more than one CRP contract. This report is provided on a weekly basis to the State Conservation Specialist. The report should be reviewed and forwarded to the applicable county users.

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### 4 AGI Reduction Report (Continued)

# **B** Action on AGI Report

County users must review the report and work with the State Conservation Specialist to resolve any erroneous AGI reductions that would prevent or reduce payments during the batch payment run in October.

### **5** Common Payment Reports

### A Purpose

The CPR Prepayment Report provides information for payment entities that have payment reductions because of various eligibility conditions.

### B Availability [should have A & B]

The CPR Prepayment Report is available before the October CRP annual payment run and is disabled after the payment run is complete. The Nonpayment Report shall be used to identify nonpayment conditions and reductions after the October CRP annual payment run.

Common Payment Reports are available according to the following.

Report Name	Type of Data	Reference
Prepayment Report	Live	9-CM, paragraph 71
Nonpayment/Reduction Report	Live	9-CM, paragraph 66

**Note:** See 9-CM, paragraph 52 for instructions on accessing the Common Payment Reports System.

#### 6 Action

### **A State Office Action**

State Offices shall ensure that County Offices:

- follow instructions in this notice
- are using the reports in preparation for the 2015 CRP payment run.

### **B** County Office Action

County Offices shall:

- follow instructions in this notice
- use the reports in preparation for the 2015 CRP payment run.