

For: FSA Offices

**MIDAS 2.0 Release - Training and Access Requirements for FLP Employees**

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**1 Overview**

**A Background**

The release of MIDAS 2.0 will:

- make MIDAS the system of entry and record for Business Partner (BP)
- include the ability to search, create, and edit customers in BP.

BP functionality will transition the creation and maintenance of customer information from multiple external systems to MIDAS, and will replace SCIMS in the future.

**Note:** After the release of MIDAS 2.0, users will have view-only access to SCIMS for a limited time.

The information entered into BP will be used to populate a number of FLP systems, including the Direct Loan System and Farm Business Plan, therefore, it is essential that an adequate number of FLP employees receive MIDAS training and access to ensure that systems can be updated timely.

In preparation for the MIDAS 2.0 release, implementation, and deployment, the MIDAS Training team developed a comprehensive training plan.

**B Purpose**

This notice:

- requires at least one FLP employee per FLP Service Center obtain and maintain User Role access in MIDAS
- provides guidance on the training requirements for FLP employees who need MIDAS access.

Disposal Date	Distribution
June 1, 2015	All FSA Offices; State Offices relay to County Offices

**1 Overview (Continued)**

**C Contact**

If there are questions about this notice:

- County Offices shall contact the State Office
- State Offices shall contact Cindy Van Nostrand by either of the following:
  - e-mail to **cindy.vannostrand@wdc.usda.gov**
  - telephone at 202-720-0900.

**2 MIDAS Access and Training**

**A Identifying FLP Employees for MIDAS Access and Training**

SED's were notified by e-mail on May 30, 2014, to ensure that at least one FLP employee for each FLP Service Center receives training and MIDAS "edit" access (User Role). In addition, each State was asked to provide a list of FLP employees that currently have, or need, access to MIDAS by June 6, 2014.

SED's will determine if more than one FLP employee will have User Role access, and if FLP employees need "view" access (Viewer Role) only.

**B Access and Training Requirements**

See Notice MIDAS-20 for guidance on MIDAS access and training requirements.

**C Training Deadline**

FLP employees selected to obtain MIDAS access shall complete the required training by August 31, 2014.