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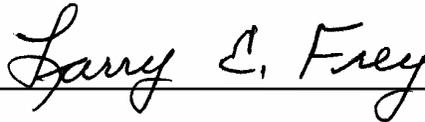
**Oregon Notice  
FLP-149**

**For:** County Offices

**Presidential Major Disaster Declaration M1510**

**Approved By:** State Executive Director

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**1 Overview**

**A Background**

Effective February 19, 2004, President Bush declared a major disaster in Oregon, due to losses caused by severe winter storms that occurred from December 26, 2003 through January 14, 2004. The following Oregon counties were declared eligible for Federal disaster assistance including FSA emergency loans:

UMATILLA	GILLIAM	WASCO	LANE	CLACKAMAS
YAMHILL	SHERMAN	UNION	LINN	JEFFERSON
MORROW	WALLOWA	BENTON	LAKE	MULTNOMAH
CLATSOP	COLUMBIA	HARNEY	POLK	HOOD RIVER
MALHEUR	WHEELER	MARION	BAKER	DOUGLAS
DESCHUTES	TILLAMOOK	LINCOLN		

As a result, the following Oregon counties were named as contiguous counties to one or more of these Oregon Counties, where eligible family farmers may qualify for Farm Service Agency (FSA) Emergency (EM) loan assistance:

JACKSON	GRANT
CROOK	COOS
KLAMATH	WASHINGTON
JOSEPHINE	CURRY

**B Purpose**

The purpose of this Oregon Notice is to inform FSA employees of the counties eligible to receive and process emergency (EM) loan applications under this declaration.

**FILING: Preceding FSA Handbook 3-FLP, FmHA Instruction 1945-A & Operational File FLP 3**

<b>Disposal</b>	<b>Distribution</b>
January 1, 2005	STO, DD, COR, COC, COF - Including Farm Loan Programs

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### 1 Overview (Continued)

#### C Contact

Please inform the STO Farm Loan Staff of the commodities for which you will need yield and price information. Direct questions concerning the designation to Peter Halvorson at (503) 692-3688, ext. 255.

### 2 Action

#### A Implementation Responsibilities

EM loan applications will be received through October 19, 2004, (except for Harney and Wheeler Counties where the deadline is November 4, 2004) for physical and production losses. EM loans will be made under Farm Service Agency Handbook 3-FLP. For the purpose of establishing security values as set forth in Paragraph 171C of FSA Handbook 3-FLP, the day before the beginning of the incidence period of the disaster is December 25, 2003.

Please take the notification and coordination actions as required by section 1945.21 of FmHA Instruction 1945-A. Among them is the requirement to ensure there is no duplication of FSA disaster benefits and actual loss Emergency loan benefits on the same losses. We therefore request that County Executive Directors and Farm Loan Managers or Farm Loan Officers serving the designated area personally meet to review the use of Form FmHA 1945-29, and to discuss the circumstances under which FSA disaster payments will be made payable jointly to the borrower and FSA.

We have a responsibility to ensure that there is no duplication of FCIC crop insurance or multi-peril crop insurance and FSA actual loss Emergency loan benefits for the same losses. Following the guidelines of Exhibit A of FmHA Instruction 2000-N, this will be accomplished by requiring Emergency loan applicants to sign an "Assignment of Indemnity" or Form FCI-20 or other acceptable form, authorizing the issuance of any loss claim settlement check on an insured crop to be made payable jointly to FSA and the policyholder. An exception would be when the amount of the loss claim or settlement on the insured crop is known and it is deducted from the amount of the FSA actual loss emergency loan.

#### B Filing Instructions

Preceding 3-FLP and FmHA Instruction 1945-A and Operational File FLP 3.