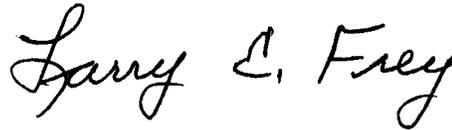


For: County Offices

Clarification of NAP Issues

Approved by: State Executive Director



1 Overview

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Purpose

The purpose of this Notice is to answer questions that have been outstanding for 2001 and later years NAP.

2 Action

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Forage Hay and Grazing in the Same Crop Year

We will not be allowed to recognize more than one use of the same crop on the same field for the same crop year. The producer needs to choose one intention on the FSA-578. The intent of the National Office was that the other use would be appraised according to paragraph 193, 1NAP, REV 1, realizing that there could be only one intended use. However, the procedure stated that acreage that was intended as grazed would always be considered grazed regardless of the harvest method. This was the procedure that we used that determined whether we ordered an appraisal. Since the producer had also reported the use of grazing as an intention, we did not order an appraisal. If your producer has reported production of fall grazing as per paragraph 191, 1-NAP, for previous years, to be included in the forage APH, then you must also determine production to count in the disaster year by including the appraised production for the fall grazing.

Disposal
June 28, 2002

Distribution
All Counties, DD's, COR and STO staff

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2 Action, Continued

<p>A Forage Hay and Grazing in the Same Crop Year, Continued</p>	<p>The appraised production (for the fall grazing, for crop year 2001 only) for producers that choose the intended use of mechanical harvest will be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Convert the fall grazing carrying capacity to tons of hay using CCC-451B as instructed in handbook 1-NAP • Enter on CCC-451B the number of animals by converting the carrying capacity to number of animals by dividing the acres in the field by the carrying capacity • The type of animals determined will be lactating beef cows • The number of days grazed will be the carrying capacity grazing period • Multiply the production amount determined on CCC-451B by 1 minus the loss percentage for fall grazing determined by the independent assessment team <p>If the producer has not reported (or chooses not to report) fall grazing for previous years, then ignore the fall grazing for determining the loss for producers who choose to report their intention as mechanical harvest.</p> <p>Procedure for determining method of appraisal for 2002 will be issued after the next STC meeting. However, it will be the recommendation of the STO staff that we ignore fall grazing production due to the fact it will not be physically possible to appraise all hay fields for all counties that have fall grazing of hay fields. This procedure, while not helpful to the producer, will be consistent with one large Western state.</p>
<p>B Separate Pay Types for Grass and Clover Seed by Variety</p>	<p>Our request for separate pay types for grass seed and red clover seed by variety was denied. It was denied because on a nationwide basis, the predominant use of grass and clover is for forage. Forage for these two crops on a nationwide basis does not differ by more than 25% from the lowest priced variety.</p>
<p>C Separate Pay Types for Red and Black Raspberries</p>	<p>This was disapproved because the NAP Branch made a determination that no pay types would be changed for 2001 crop year and because our request did not explain if the price difference for these two varieties differs by more than 25% on a national basis. If it can be determined that the national average price differs by the appropriate amount, the request will be resubmitted for 2002 crop.</p>
<p>D Request for Extension for Producers to Request NAP</p>	<p>We requested that producers be given 60 days instead of 30 days after the regulations are published in the Federal Register. We made this request because some counties will have a hardship processing requests for two different crop years. This request was denied.</p>

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2 Action, Continued

E Request for Lessor Fees for Multiple Landowner Tracts	This request was denied because the Agricultural Risk Protection Act of 2000 provides for lessor fees only in the case of limited resource farmers.
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