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Campbell County FSA Updates

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Message from the CED:

Ranchers and farmers continue to struggle with the challenges of 2020. FSA's loan and program staff are hard at work delivering programs to the area's agricultural community. During these unusual times we ask that you call ahead for an appointment. Health and safety protocol dictate that our door remain locked, but we are here to serve you with a number of disaster related programs.

A second round of financial assistance through the **Coronavirus Food Assistance Program (CFAP)** is currently being offered to agricultural producers who continue to face market disruptions. Eligible commercial producers of livestock, numerous crops and agricultural commodities can enroll through December 11, 2020.

Assistance is also available through the **Livestock Forage Program (LFP)** as a result of drought conditions in Campbell County. Producers with covered livestock who also have grazed native and improved pasture with permanent vegetative cover and

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forage crops grown for grazing are eligible. The final date to enroll in this program is February 1, 2021.

County Committee:

Chuck Tweedy, Chairman
Travis Busenitz, Vice
Chairman
Jody Cheser, Member

Call for details and an appointment.

Next County Committee

Meeting: Nov. 4th @ 1:00pm

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

Nov. 16, 2020 – Fall Seeded Crop Acreage Reporting Deadline

Nov. 26, 2020 - County Office closed –Thanksgiving Day

Dec. 1, 2020 - Deadline to purchase 2021 NAP coverage.

Dec. 11, 2020 – CFAP-2 signup deadline

IMMEDIATELY -- File Notification of Loss Forms within 15 Days of Loss of crops and/or livestock.

DON'T MISS OUT ON VOTING FOR YOUR COUNTY COMMITTEE

Farm Service Agency (FSA) county committees are a critical component of the day-to-day operations of FSA and allow grassroots input and local administration of federal farm programs.

Farmers and ranchers who are elected to serve on FSA county committees apply their judgment and knowledge to help with the decisions necessary to administer FSA programs in their counties, ensuring that the needs of local producers are met. Disaster and conservation programs, indemnity payments, commodity yields, and payment eligibility are activities all overseen by county committees.

The 2020 election is being held in Local Administrative Area 3 (LAA 3) and includes that are of the County

Ballots will be mailed to eligible voters by November 2, 2020 and must be returned to the FSA county office or postmarked by December 7, 2020. Eligible voters must contact the FSA county office before the final date if they did not receive a ballot.

Campbell County Producers May be Eligible for Emergency Conservation Program Assistance (ECP)

The early September Horse Creek Butte Fire destroyed nearly 3,400 acres of rangeland in northern Campbell County.

If you've suffered severe damage to fences on as a result of this fire, you may be eligible for assistance for permanent fence repair and restoration under the Emergency Conservation Program (ECP) administered by the Campbell County Farm Service Agency (FSA). Cost-share levels not to exceed 75 percent of the eligible cost of restoration measures may be available on both private and public land.

The enrollment period for ECP runs from October 26 through November 30, 2020. For more information about ECP fence repair and restoration, contact your Campbell County USDA Service Center at 307-682-8843.

Campbell, Crook, Johnson, Sheridan and Weston Counties are Eligible for Emergency Loans

These counties were declared a primary/contiguous disaster due to drought and heat using the streamlined Secretarial Disaster Designation process. Under this designation, producers with operations in any primary or contiguous county are eligible to apply for low interest emergency loans.

The streamlined disaster designation process issues a drought disaster declaration when a county has experienced a drought intensity value of at least a D2 (severe drought) level for eight consecutive weeks based on the U.S. Drought Monitor during the crop year.

Emergency loans help producers recover from production and physical losses due to drought, flooding and other natural disasters or quarantine.

Producers have eight months from the date of the declaration to apply for emergency loan assistance. FSA will consider each loan application on its own merits, taking into account the extent of losses, security available and repayment ability. Producers can borrow up to 100 percent of actual production or physical losses, to a maximum amount of \$500,000.

For more information about emergency loans, contact Rob Weppner, Farm Loan Manager at 307-682-8843 Ext 2 or visit fsa.usda.gov.

Persons with disabilities who require accommodations to attend or participate in this meeting should contact Pamela S Smith at 307-682-8843 or Federal Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339.

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