Maps for Acreage Reporting are Available

Maps are now available at the Laramie County FSA Office for acreage reporting purposes. If you wish to receive your maps by e-mail, please call our office or email any of us to request them.

Acreage reporting deadlines for Laramie County:
- July 15th - Spring-seeded crops, CRP, perennial forage.
- November 15th - Fall-seeded crops

In order to maintain program eligibility and benefits, you must file timely acreage reports. Failure to file an acreage report by the crop acreage reporting deadline may cause ineligibility for future program benefits. FSA will not accept acreage reports provided more than a year after the acreage reporting deadline.

Producers are encouraged to file their acreage reports as soon as planting is completed.

*If you would like to do your acreage reports in-person; please call and schedule an appointment. Visitors are only allowed into the office by appointment.*

Report Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) Losses

NAP provides financial assistance to you for crops that aren’t eligible for crop insurance to protect against lower yields or crops unable to be planted due to natural disasters including freeze, hail, excessive moisture, excessive wind or hurricanes, flood, excessive heat and qualifying drought (includes native grass for grazing), among others.

To receive payment, you had to purchase NAP coverage for 2021 crops and file a notice of loss the earlier of 15 days of the occurrence of the disaster or when losses become apparent or 15 days of the final harvest date.

For hand-harvested crops and certain perishable crops, you must notify FSA within 72 hours of when a loss becomes apparent.

Eligible crops must be commercially produced agricultural commodities for which crop insurance is not available, including perennial grass forage and grazing crops, fruits, vegetables, mushrooms, floriculture, ornamental nursery, aquaculture, turf grass, ginseng, honey, syrup, bioenergy, and industrial crops.

For more information on NAP, contact your Laramie County USDA Service Center at 307-772-2314 ext. 2 or visit fsa.usda.gov/nap.
After Identifying Gaps in Previous Aid, USDA Announces ‘Pandemic Assistance for Producers’ to Distribute Resources More Equitably

Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack announced that USDA is establishing new programs and efforts to bring financial assistance to farmers, ranchers and producers who felt the impact of COVID-19 market disruptions. The new initiative—USDA Pandemic Assistance for Producers—will reach a broader set of producers than in previous COVID-19 aid programs.

USDA is dedicating at least $6 billion toward the new programs. The Department will also develop rules for new programs that will put a greater emphasis on outreach to small and socially disadvantaged producers, specialty crop and organic producers, timber harvesters, as well as provide support for the food supply chain and producers of renewable fuel, among others. Existing programs like the Coronavirus Food Assistance Program (CFAP) will fall within the new initiative and, where statutory authority allows, will be refined to better address the needs of producers.

USDA Pandemic Assistance for Producers was needed, said Vilsack, after a review of previous COVID-19 assistance programs targeting farmers identified a number of gaps and disparities in how assistance was distributed as well as inadequate outreach to underserved producers and smaller and medium operations.

USDA will reopen sign-up for CFAP 2 for at least 60 days beginning on April 5, 2021. The USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) has committed at least $2.5 million to improve outreach for CFAP 2 and will establish partnerships with organizations with strong connections to socially disadvantaged communities to ensure they are informed and aware of the application process.

Reopening CFAP 2 Sign-Up to Improve Access & Outreach to Underserved Producers

As noted above, USDA will re-open sign-up for of CFAP 2 for at least 60 days beginning on April 5, 2021.

- FSA has committed at least $2.5 million to establish partnerships and direct outreach efforts intended to improve outreach for CFAP 2 and will cooperate with grassroots organizations with strong connections to socially disadvantaged communities to ensure they are informed and aware of the application process.

Please visit [www.farmers.gov](http://www.farmers.gov) for additional information and announcements under the USDA Pandemic Assistance to Producers initiative, which will help to expand and more equitably distribute financial assistance to producers and farming operations during the COVID-19 national emergency.

USDA Extends General Signup for Conservation Reserve Program

The USDA is extending the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) General Signup period, which had previously been announced as ending on Feb. 12, 2021. USDA will continue to accept offers as it takes this opportunity for the incoming Administration to evaluate ways to increase enrollment. Under the previous Administration, incentives and rental payment rates were reduced resulting in an enrollment shortfall of over 4 million acres. The program, administered by USDA’s Farm Service Agency (FSA), provides annual rental payments for 10 to 15 years for land devoted to conservation purposes, as well as other types of payments. Before the General CRP Signup period ends, producers will have the opportunity to adjust or resubmit their offers to take advantage of planned improvements to the program.

This signup for CRP gives producers an opportunity to enroll land for the first time or re-enroll land under existing contracts that will be expiring Sept. 30, 2021. All interested producers, including those on Indian reservations and with trust lands, are encouraged to contact their local USDA Service Center for more information.

Every Season is #scamseason

Remember to discuss your USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) account information only with people you recognize and trust.

If you have questions about your FSA accounts, including your farm loans, contact your Laramie County USDA Service Center at 307-772-2314 ext. 2 or visit [fsa.usda.gov](http://fsa.usda.gov).
# 2021 Customer Calendar

## Farm Service Agency

### Farm Programs
- Agricultural Risk & Price Loss Coverage (ARC/PLC)
- Biomass Crop Assistance Program (BCAP)
- Commodity Marketing Assistance Loans (MAL)
- Conservation Reserve Program (CRP)
- Dairy Margin Coverage (DMC)
- Emergency Assistance for Livestock, Honeybees, and Farm-Raised Fish (ELAP)
- Emergency Conservation Program (ECP)
- Livestock Forage Disaster Program (LFP)
- Livestock Indemnity Program (LIP)
- Loan Deficiency Payments (LDP)
- Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP)
- Quality Loss Adjustment Program (QLA)

### Farm Loans—No Application Deadlines
- Beginning Farmer & Rancher Loans
- Emergency Loans (Time Sensitive)
- Farm Operating Loans (Direct and Guaranteed)
- Farm Ownership Loans (Direct and Guaranteed)
- Farm Storage Facility Loans (FSFL)
- EZ Guarantee and Microloans
- SDA (Women/Minority) Farmer & Rancher Loans
- Youth Loans
- Various eligibility requirements are required for both Farm programs and Farm loans

### LFP:
- Within 30 days after the end of the year in which the grazing loss occurred – submit Application for Payment and supporting documentation

### LIP:
- Within 30 days of noticing Livestock loss or injury – Submit Notice of Loss
- Within 50 days after the end the year in which loss or injury occurred – Submit Application for Payment

### ELAP:
- Within 30 days of livestock feed or pasture losses/issues due to extreme weather – Submit Notice of Loss
- Within 50 days after the end the year in which loss occurred – Submit Application for Payment

### MAL/LDP Availability (from harvest to the below deadline):
- January 31 - Wool, Mohair and LDP only for Unshorn Pelts
- March 31 - Barley, Canola, Flaxseed, Honey, Cats, Rape, sunflowerseed, and Wheat
- May 31 - Corn, Dry peas, Grain sorghum, Lentils, Mustard seed, Safflower, Small chickpeas, Soybeans and Sunflowerseed

### NAP:
- December 1 – Al perennial grasses, alfalfa, clover, mixed forage, and honey
- March 15 – Hemp
- April 1 – All spring seeded crops
- Within 15 days of crop loss – Submit Notice of Loss
- November 15 (varies by crop) – Final day to submit Application for Payment

### Farm Program Deadlines - (dates below are subject to change)
- Contact your local office for more information or to make an appointment.

### Acresage Reports:
- July 15 – Soybeans, corn, and other spring-planted feed grains, CRP, Hemp, grasses and other crops
- November 15 – Apiiculture (bees), fall-seeded small grains

### CRP General Signup:
- January 4 to (will be announced at a later date)

### Continuous CRP Signup:
- Ongoing

### CRP Grasslands Signup:
- (will be announced)

### ARC/PLC:
- July 15 – Final date to report production for the preceding crop year
- October 20 – Election and enrollment begin for the applicable year
- March 15 – Election and enrollment end for the applicable year

## USDA Office Closures
- Jan. 1 – New Year’s Day Holiday
- Jan. 18 – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
- Feb. 15 – President’s Birthday
- May 31 – Memorial Day
- July 5 – In observance of the Independence Day Holiday
- Sept. 6 – Labor Day
- Oct. 11 – Columbus Day
- Nov. 11 – Veterans Day
- Nov. 25 – Thanksgiving Day
- Dec. 24 – Christmas Eve, in observance of the Christmas Day Holiday

## Important Links
- Farmers.gov - [https://www.farmers.gov/](https://www.farmers.gov/)

## Questions?
Contact your local FSA office.
A directory of USDA Service Centers can be found online at [offices.usda.gov](http://offices.usda.gov)

## GovDelivery Email & SMS Text Updates
Contact your local FSA office ask how you can receive important FSA updates and reminders by email and SMS text subscriptions.

## Have you moved?
**Changed bank accounts?**
Contact your local FSA to update your records.

## Stay Connected with USDA:
- [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com)
- [Twitter](https://twitter.com)
- [YouTube](https://www.youtube.com)
- [RSS](https://rss.usda.gov)

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Receive Text Alerts from FSA

Farmers and ranchers in Wyoming can now receive notifications from their county office through text messages on their cell phone. Producers will receive text messages regarding important program deadlines, reporting requirements, outreach events and updates. Standard text messaging rates apply. Contact your wireless carrier for details associated with your particular data plan. Participants may unsubscribe at any time.

Producers who are interested to receive Laramie County Wyoming text alerts should text: **WYLaramie to 372-669**.