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Livestock Disaster Programs Announced

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Special points of interest:

- ◆ The San Juan County Committee Meets each 4th Tuesday of each month at 9:00 A.M. at the Aztec FSA Office. Meetings are open to the public.
- ◆ NAP Application Closing dates for 2008 crop year on apples, cherries, apricots, grapes, peaches, pears, pistachios, plums, citrus is November 20, 2007.
- ◆ Please report all farm operator/owner changes to the office.
- ◆ Jan. 31, 2007—last day to file wool applications

LIVESTOCK COMPENSATION PROGRAM (LCP)

The USDA-FSA Office in Aztec is accepting applications from San Juan County livestock producers for the LCP program. Qualifying event that is approved is Drought. Qualifying year of eligibility/sign up is grazing year 2006. Producers who suffered feed/grazing losses during 2006 are eligible to apply. Eligible livestock are: beef cattle, sheep, goats, equine, poultry, swine, dairy cattle. Livestock must have been physically located in San Juan county to be eligible. Livestock must have been for commercial use. Free roaming non owned animals and recreational livestock are NOT eligible. Applicants must provide supportive documentation to determine eligibility. Such documentation (from 2006 year) includes veterinary records, purchase records, loan papers, bank documents, truck receipts, production records, sales records, tally count sheets, and any other verifiable documents providing livestock numbers for the 2006 grazing year. Producers are encouraged to file as soon as possible to avoid missing any forthcoming deadlines. Its expected that payments will be calculated and issued at the end of the sign up period later in the year. Applicants who received payments under the Livestock Assistance Grant Program (LAGP) last year will have their LCP payment reduced by the amount earned under the LAGP. Applicants will need to provide livestock records/documents verifying the numbers and type.

Only the livestock owner is eligible to apply. Contract growers in some cases can be eligible. Contact the county office for further eligibility questions.

Applicants may contact the county office before driving in to ensure you bring all required paperwork.



LIVESTOCK INDEMNITY PROGRAM (LIP)

The office is also accepting applications for the LIP program at this time. LIP provides benefits to producers who have livestock located in San Juan County that died due to an eligible disaster event. The following lists the events and years San Juan county is eligible to accept applications:

2005— severe storms & excessive moisture

2006— insects, severe storms, wildfires, high winds, excessive heat, winter storms, excessive moisture

The livestock death must be directly attributable to the specific event of an eligible disaster condition. Non natural or unrelated livestock deaths are not eligible. Example: wild dog killings or livestock killed on roadways are just a couple examples of ineligible causes of losses. Eligible livestock/animals for LIP are: beef cattle, buffalo, dairy cows, catfish, chickens, crawfish, deer, ducks, horses, geese, goats, sheep, swine, turkeys.

Livestock/animals must have been raised for commercial use to be eligible. Show animals, pets, or recreational uses are not eligible types of livestock. Payments will be reduced by the amount earned under the LAGP.

Only the owner of the livestock is eligible to apply. Contract growers should contact the county office for specific eligibility questions.



2007 NAP Grazing Losses...Deadline November 1, 2007

There is still time to file for the Noninsured Assistance Program (NAP) if you suffered grass/grazing losses in 2007. The office is still accepting 2007 Native Grass grazing losses until November 1, 2007. If you have a 2007 NAP native grazing loss application and you feel you have suffered losses you can file form CCC-576 Notice of Loss in the Aztec FSA office. CCC-471 application must be on file to be eligible. November 1, 2007 is the last day to file.



Crop Disaster Program (CDP)

Starting October 15, 2007 the Aztec FSA office will start accepting applications for the 2005, 2006, and 2007 Crop Disaster Program (CDP). Eligible events and types of losses must be mother nature related, or, natural causes. Further procedure and eligibility are currently being developed. If you feel you may have qualifying loss on your crops in either 2005, 2006, or 2007, contact the office or come by to see if it will qualify for possible disaster payments. Hard copy records will be required. An application deadline has not been announced.



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