

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Farm Service Agency
Washington, DC 20250

**Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance
Program for 2015 and Subsequent Years
1-NAP (Revision 2)**

Amendment 22

Approved by: Deputy Administrator, Farm Programs



Amendment Transmittal

A Reasons for Amendment

Paragraph 301 has been amended to update delegated authority to STC's to grant Programmatic Relief.

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301 CCC-471, Application for Coverage (Continued)

E Processing CCC-471's Filed After the Application Closing Date, But Before the End of the Coverage Period (Continued)

IF CCC-471 is filed...	THEN COC...
<p>more than 30 calendar days after the end of the application closing date, but before the end of the coverage period</p>	<p>will either disapprove the late-filed CCC-471 or make a recommendation to STC. If COC recommends relief, STC will review the participant's request and COC recommendation.</p> <p>Note: Neither COC nor STC are under any obligation to recommend *--or grant relief.</p> <p>STC will review the recommendation to extend coverage under CCC-471 and may:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • grant relief to allow coverage to attach under the late-filed CCC-471. If granted, State Offices will advise COC to notify the participant of the approval. <p>Note: The FSA representative will sign and date CCC-471 with the effective STC decision date.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • deny relief to permit coverage to attach. If denied, State Offices will advise COC to notify the participant in writing that relief has been disapproved by STC. The letter must include appropriate appeal rights according to 1-APP.--*

Regardless of whether or **not** relief is approved by FSA to allow coverage to attach under CCC-471, the service fee remitted with CCC-471 will **not** be refunded. COC's and STC's will **not** issue any decision on any requests for refunds of service fees. If an inquiry about refunds is received, simply respond by saying fees are **not** refundable.

For 2019 and prior years, in no instance will coverage be permitted to begin sooner than 30 calendar days following the actual date CCC-471 is filed. If the coverage period would end before 30 calendar days from the actual date CCC-471 is filed, handle CCC-471 according to subparagraph F.

301 CCC-471, Application for Coverage (Continued)

F Submitting Late-Filed CCC-471's for Relief Consideration

*--If COC determines to recommend to STC to grant programmatic relief to extend coverage under CCC-471 according to subparagraph E, the request will include the following documentation for relief consideration:

- a cover memo to SED thoroughly explaining the reasons for recommending--* programmatic relief according to 7-CP
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- a copy of the CCC-471 filed by the producer
- a copy of the producer application for coverage summary report, schedule of deposit, or CCC-860
- the application closing date(s) for the crop(s)
- the producer's written explanation of why the CCC-471 was filed after the application closing date
- COC minutes
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- any other supporting documentation.

COC and STC minutes will each document in writing the specific credible justification for *--recommending or granting relief. COC will only forward cases, and STC will only grant relief in cases that meet all of the following conditions:--*

- the applicant's failure to timely file an application for coverage was because of reasons that were beyond the applicant's control
- relief approval would permit coverage to attach early enough in the coverage period to eliminate the likelihood that coverage was obtained after a disaster condition occurred

Note: Favorable consideration of the filing of a late-filed application for coverage should diminish as the coverage period progresses (meaning applications filed late in the coverage period should not be recommended without exceptionally good reasons).