



# NEWSLETTER



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Hours  
Monday - Friday  
8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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#### County Committee

Norm Shimp, Chair  
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Brenda Turunen  
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Next County  
Committee meeting,  
Thursday, September  
12<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00 A.M.

## 2013 DIRECT AND COUNTER CYCLICAL PROGRAM DCP

You still have time to provide to the county office, a lease or the landowner's signature on the contract for the farm to be approved for payment. The deadline for 2013 DCP contract enrollment and approval is September 15<sup>th</sup>.

## 2014 Non-Insured Assistance Program NAP

**THE DEADLINE for purchasing your 2014 policies are as follows**

**September 30, 2013:** Mixed Hay, Alfalfa, Pasture, Peas and Oats for Forage, Rye, Seed Crops, Fall Speltz, both fall & spring planted wheat

**November 20, 2013:** Apples, Blueberries, Cranberries, Raspberries, & Strawberries

**December 1, 2013:** Honey & Maple Sap

**March 15, 2014:** Sorghum, Beans, Potatoes, Triticale, vegetable crops and all other spring planted crops...

If you grow a crop not listed here – call your local FSA Service Center. Keep in mind that some of these crops are covered by Federal Crop Insurance in certain U.P. countries.

Crops not insurable under Risk Management Agency CAT Crop Insurance are covered under NAP and can be purchased for \$250 per crop and a maximum of \$750 per county!

The applicable fees must be paid and signatures on the coverage policy no later than the applicable deadlines.

To qualify for administrative service fee waiver, a limited resource producer must have a total household income at or below the national poverty level for a family of 4, or less than 50% of the county median household in both the previous 2 years.

Limited resource producer status can be determined using a Limited Resource Farmer and Rancher Online Self Determination Tool which can be found on the web site: <http://www.lrftool.sc.egov.usda.gov/>.

Please note that limited resource producers are required to recertify limited resource producer status every year prior to purchasing a NAP policy.

## BANK CHANGES

If you changed banks or credit unions and did not notify FSA, your payments could be delayed. Payments are electronically transferred into your account, if we are not aware of changes to your account and routing numbers, there could be problems. Avoid possible payment delays.

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