

Colfax County News

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NAP

NAP provides financial assistance to producers on noninsurable crops when low yield, loss of inventory or prevented planting occurs due to natural disasters. Crops must be noninsurable and grown for food or livestock consumption. Eligible disasters are drought, freeze, hail, excessive moisture, excessive wind, flood, heat, disease or insect infestation. Producers must apply for coverage and pay the applicable fee. The service fee is \$250 per crop per county not to exceed \$750 per producer per county and not to exceed \$1875 for multiple counties. Coverage begins 30 days after application coverage fees have been paid. A report of acreage must be filed to verify existence of the cropland and record the number of acres covered by the application. Acreage reports are combined with production reports to calculate approved yields. The approved yield is the average of your actual production history for a minimum of 4 years to a max of 10 years. When a natural disaster occurs, a Notice of Loss must be filed within 15 days. To receive benefits, natural disasters must reduce production by more than 50%. **The last day to purchase coverage for native grass, mixed forage, or alfalfa is January 31, 2011. Please be advised that many of the programs that will be coming out for disaster may only be paid if you purchase NAP coverage.**

COUNTY COMMITTEE ELECTIONS

On November 5, 2010, ballots will be mailed to eligible producers. December 6, 2010 is the last day to return your ballots. Elected committee members and alternates will take office on January 1, 2011. Mary Lou Kern is the candidates for LAA 2. Please cast your votes as soon as possible. Your committee members apply their judgment, experience and knowledge in making local decisions regarding producer appeals, commodity price support loans, payments, conservation programs employing of county executive directors, incentive, indemnity and disaster payments for commodities and other farm disaster assistance. A strong response to the entire committee election process gives landowners, farmers, and ranchers a better chance of having opinions and ideas expressed in the community and throughout the nation. PLEASE VOTE AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

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COUNTY OFFICE CLOSURES

This office will be closed on November 11, 2010 in observance of Veterans Day. The office will be reopened on November 12, 2010. The Office will also be closed on November 25, 2010 in observance of Thanksgiving Day. The office will reopen on Friday, November 26, 2010.

COUNTY OFFICE MEETINGS

County committee meetings are held the second Tuesday of every month at the FSA office in the Federal Building, 245 Park Ave., Room 203, Raton, New Mexico at 1:00 P.M.

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