

McKINLEY COUNTY FARM SERVICE NEWSLETTER

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7: 30a.m to 5:00p.m.

Monday thru Friday
722-9060

Open during Lunch hour

JUNE 2009

2008 NON-INSURED ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (NAP)

The NM State FSA Committee has approved the 2008 grazing losses for non-irrigated native grass, which were conducted by the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS), Bureau of Land Management (BLM), and NM State Land Office. The program applicant must suffer the first fifty percent (50%) of the loss to get a payment. The 2008 grazing loss percentage determined for McKinley County was 28%. This is in the process of being appealed. Thus at the printing of this newsletter there will not be a payment issued for the 2008 NAP, the loss percentage had to be over 50%. Questions call the McKinley County FSA Office.

2009 NON-INSURED ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The CCC-576, Notice of Loss, is used to report yield losses, failed acreage. Timely filing a Notice of Loss is required on ALL CROPS INCLUDING GRASSES. For losses on crops covered by the Non- Insured Crop Disaster assistance Program (NAP), you must file a CCC-576 in the FSA County Office within 15 calendar days of the occurrence of the disaster or when losses become apparent. Native grass is considered to be a crop that you manage. Since most of the state is suffering from drought, it might be time to get this done. This form will NOT be mailed out to 2009 NAP participants.

PLEASE, Do not give up on the NAP program!! This is the second step in getting a possible payment for the 2009 program. STOP by the FSA Office to file NOW. If you have access to precipitation records (Rainfall) for any region of the county that can be verified, PLEASE, bring it into the office.

2010 NON-INSURED ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

All 2009 NAP participants are automatically filed for the 2010 NAP program once the service fee has been delivered to the County Office. For participants that have a combined household income of \$21,000.00 or less, the service fee is waived.

RURAL YOUTH LOANS

The Farm Service Agency makes operating loans to individual rural youths age 10 through 20 to establish and operate income producing projects. These projects must be of modest size and be initiated, developed and carried out by rural youths participating in 4-H Clubs, FFA, or a similar organization or with a vocational teacher or county extension agent. The project must be an organized and supervised program of work. It must produce sufficient income to repay the loan, and provide the youth with practical business and educational experience.

WOOL AND MOHAIR LOAN DEFICIENCY POROGRAM

All 2009 applicants must sign a new CCC-633 form before they can be eligible for payment. This form must be signed and on file **BEFORE** you shear and sell the wool or mohair to the local buyer or trading post. If you have NOT already completed this, you should check on it the next time in town for shopping.

RURAL DEVELOPMENT OFFICE DAY AND HOURS: WEDNESDAYS AT 10:30AM

The Rural Development (RD) provides loans on houses and businesses. Call for an appointment at (505) 334-3090 extension 112.

NASS STATISTICAL SURVEY

The quarterly Agricultural Surveys, conducted by the National Agricultural Statistic Service (NASS) provide inventory and production estimates for crops and livestock

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/s/ John Sakasitz, County Executive Director

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