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Campbell County FSA Deadlines

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Next County Committee Meeting:

November 19 at 1:00 pm

2015 Fall Acreage Reports Deadline November 15

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Please contact the FSA County office, as soon as possible, to complete your 2015 fall acreage report. If you are planting a fall seeded crop, you will need your final plant date. Contact the county office to make an appointment or to get your name on the register so that your report will not be considered Late-Filed. The deadline to complete your fall acreage report is **November 15, 2014**.

2014 Hay Production Reports

Reports of 2014 hay production can be made at this time. The deadline for these reports is July 2015.

Please contact the county office while this information is fresh in your mind.

2015 NAP Coverage Now Available

Sales deadline for 2015 NAP coverage is **Dec 1, 2014** for Grass hay crops, wheat for hay (Fall and Spring seeded) and Grazed crops including native range.

Additional information regarding changes to incorporate the 2014 Farm Bill provisions, including producer election of "buy-up" Coverage, will be available at a later date.

Livestock Disaster Programs Signup Continuing

Please contact the FSA office if you are interested in applying for the LFP (Livestock Disaster Program) for 2012 and 2013. If you requested to have your name put on the register, you must file an application as soon as possible and before December 31, 2014. Appointments are Required for LFP Applications.

Holiday Open House

The annual Holiday Open House is scheduled for December 4, 2014 1:00 – 3:00 pm. Come join us for treats and holiday cheer!

Timeline for Agriculture Risk Coverage (ARC) and Price Loss Coverage (PLC)

The following table summarizes the planned phases of ARCPLC.

Phase 1 - August 2014 - Owners and farm operators received letters notifying them of current bases and yields and 2008 through 2012 planting history.

Phase 2 - Sept. 29, 2014 - Feb. 27, 2015 - Current owners have opportunity to update yields and reallocate base acres for ARCPLC purposes. ARC and PLC online tools become available.

Phase 3 - Nov. 17, 2014 - March 31, 2015 - ARC/PLC One-time elections by current producers on a farm.

Phase 4 - Mid-April 2015 - Summer 2015 - ARCPLC enrollment for both the 2014 and 2015 crop years. 2014 producers enroll under 2014 contracts and 2015 producers enroll under 2015 contracts.

To assist current producers as they elect PLC, ARC-CO, or ARC-IC, USDA helped create online tools that allow farmers to enter information about their operation and see projections about what each program will mean for them under possible future scenarios. The new tools are now available at www.fsa.usda.gov/arc-plc. Producers can access the online resources from the convenience of their personal computer, Smartphone, or tablet at any time.

An informational meeting is scheduled December 19, 2014. Additional information regarding time and location will be available at a later date.

Refund of 2014 NAP Fees to Socially Disadvantaged and Beginning Farmers

The Agricultural Act of 2014 authorizes a NAP service fee waiver for SDA (Socially Disadvantaged) or BF (Beginning Farmer) and ranchers, effective for 2014 and subsequent crop years. Beginning with the 2014 crop year, service fees for NAP coverage have been waived for producers who meet the following definitions for SDA or BF and ranchers. If you wish to request a refund of your 2014 NAP Service Fee or have any questions contact the county office.

Definitions of:

Socially Disadvantaged (SDA) Farmer or Rancher

SDA farmer or rancher means a farmer or rancher who is a member of a group whose members have been subject to racial or ethnic prejudice because of their identity as members of a group without regard to their individual qualities. Groups include American Indians or Alaskan Natives, Asians or Asian Americans, Blacks or African Americans, Native Hawaiians or other

*--Pacific Islanders, Hispanics, and women

Beginning Farmer or Rancher

Beginning farmer or rancher means a person or legal entity for which both of the following are

true for the farmer or rancher:

- has not actively operated and managed a farm or ranch for more than 10 years
- materially and substantially participates in the operation.

For legal entities to be considered a beginning farmer or rancher, all members must be related by blood or marriage, and all members must be beginning farmers or ranchers.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Nov 11, 2014 – FSA Office Closed - Veteran’s Day Holiday

Nov 15, 2014 – Deadline for Fall Acreage Reports

Nov 19, 2014 – Next scheduled COC Meeting 1:00 pm

Nov 27, 2014 – FSA Office Closed - Thanksgiving Day Holiday

Dec 1, 2014 – Deadline to purchase 2015 NAP Coverage

Dec 4, 2014 – Holiday Open House 1:00 – 3:00 pm

Dec 8, 2014 – COC Election - Ballots counted 2:00 pm

IMMEDIATELY --File Notification of Loss Forms within 15 Days of Loss of crops

--Notify County office of any changes in Direct Deposit information,

--Payment limitation changes, Farm records changes, Banking info changes, etc.

Any time --CRP Continuous Signup

--Paid measurement services from FSA

Office Hours are from 8:00am to 4:30pm. Producers are urged to call for an appointment, so the office staff can assist you timely. Due to the computer environment, some applications/processes are unable to be completed after 4:00pm.

If you have any questions regarding any of the above dates or information in this newsletter, please contact the County office for more information (307) 682-8843, ext.2.

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