



Lincoln County Newsletter

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2008 COC ELECTION INFORMATION

FSA is reaching out to agricultural communities to get equitable representation on their county committees. Please complete a nomination form (FSA-669A). Under represented farmers and ranchers are encouraged to step up and participate in their county's COC election process.

COC election fact sheets can be found online at <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/FSA>. Deadline for nominations is **August 1, 2008**. This year eligible voters in LLA1 (Local Administrative Area 1) will encompass the area from the Narrows to the North End of the Star Valley. The incumbent for LAA 1 is Chad Dana. If you know of someone who would be a good representative of agricultural producers, please nominate that person or if you could help promote the elections, please do so.

Livestock Compensation Program 2005-2007

Livestock Producers can apply to receive benefits under the Livestock Compensation Program (LCP), which compensates producers for feed losses they incurred due the drought in 2005-2007.

Signup Deadline for 2005 through 2007 Livestock Compensation Program (LCP) and Livestock Indemnity Program (LIP) Will End Close of Business July 18, 2008.

Conservation Reserve Program

Haying or Grazing of CRP

On May 27, 2008, USDA announced that certain acreage enrolled in CRP would be available for hay and forage after the ending of the primary nesting season. The primary nesting season ends July 15th. Beginning June 2, 2008, CRP participants may request to voluntarily modify CRP contracts for critical feed use, such as haying and grazing. Haying or grazing will be allowed even it was hayed / grazed in previous years. The one in five year and one in ten year limits have been removed for 2008 only to allow more feed for livestock producers. Please call for an appointment.

CRP participants may request a voluntary modification to the CRP contract, using CRP-1M Addendum to allow critical feed use, such as haying or grazing, of the CRP acreage. CRP participants may use their CRP acreage for a critical feed use or may lease the privilege to any other individual.

Participants requesting to modify the CRP contract for critical feed use will be required to pay an administrative fee of \$75 before COC approval of CRP-1M Addendum. No CRP payment reduction will be assessed for any producer requesting to modify the CRP contract for critical feed use.

Contact the Lincoln County Office at (307) 886-9001 ext. 2

2008 Acreage Reports

For 2008, the final crop reporting dates are being extended to August 15, 2008. Late fees will not be applied if acreage reports are filed by August 15 and all other crop reporting requirements must be met.

For NAP purposes, producers are required to file an acreage report on the earlier of the extended acreage reporting date or no later than 15 calendar days before the onset of harvest.

Contact the Lincoln County Office for an appointment to give your crop report as soon as possible.

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Announcing 2008 DCP Signup

The 2008 DCP signup period will start **June 25, 2008**, and will end **September 30, 2008**.

The 2008 DCP shall be administered exactly like the 2007 DCP, **except** that a producer on a farm may **not** receive a direct or counter-cyclical payments if the sum of the base acres on the farm is 10 acres or less with exceptions.

Generally, farms that have 10 base acres or less shall **not** receive direct or counter-cyclical payments **unless** that farm is wholly owned by socially disadvantaged or limited resource farmers or ranchers.

Please contact the Lincoln County Office for an appointment to sign up.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Within 15 days of noticing a loss file CCC — 576 NAP Notice of Loss

June 25-September 30-----DCP Signup

July 1-----2007NAP Production Deadline

July 4-----Fourth of July – Office Closed

July 18-----Close of LCP signup

August 1-----Deadline for COC Nominations

August 15-----Last day for Crop Reports

Any Time-----Continuous CRP

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