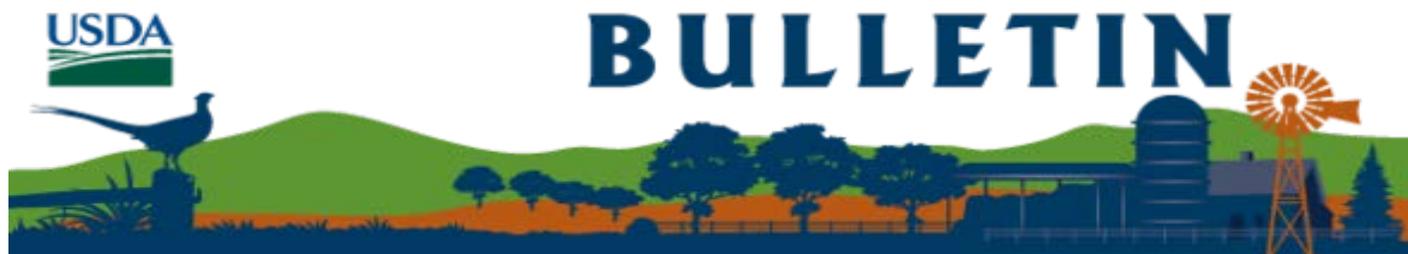


April 2014



Lincoln County Disaster Program Signups

The 2014 Farm Bill has made Livestock Forage Disaster Program (LFP), Livestock Indemnity Payments (LIP), and Emergency Assistance for Livestock, Honeybees and Farm-Raised Fish Program (ELAP), and Tree Assistance Program (TAP) disaster programs available as permanent programs and provides retroactive authority to cover eligible losses back to Oct. 1, 2011. Additionally, there are no longer any insurance requirements to be eligible to participate in these programs. Signup begins April 15, 2014 for these programs. Please be sure to contact the office for additional information and eligibility requirements. Appointments can be made by calling 886-9001, ext. 2.

LFP

The LFP program provides compensation to eligible livestock producers who have suffered grazing losses due to drought or fire. LFP payments for drought are equal to 60% of the monthly feed cost for up to five months. Lincoln County qualifies for **4 months of payments in both 2012 and 2013 grazing years**, based off of the US Drought Monitor.

LIP

The LIP program provides compensation to eligible livestock producers who have suffered livestock death losses in excess of normal mortality due to adverse weather and attacks by animals reintroduced into the wild by the federal government or protected by federal law, including wolves and avian predators. LIP payments are equal to 75% of the market value of the applicable livestock.

Documentation of the number and kind of livestock that have died, supplemented if possible by such items as:

- Photographs or video records to document the loss, dated if possible
- Purchase records, veterinarian records, production records, bank or other loan documents
- Written contracts, records assembled for tax purposes, private insurance documents, and other similar reliable documents.

ELAP

The ELAP program provides compensation to eligible producers of livestock, honeybees, and farm-raised fish to help compensate for losses due to disease, adverse weather, or other conditions, such as blizzards and wildfires, as determined by the Secretary. Additionally, in 2014 ELAP provides assistance for losses related to expenses incurred for transporting water to livestock during an eligible drought.

TAP

The TAP program provides compensation to eligible orchardists and nursery tree growers to replant or rehabilitate trees, bushes, and vines lost due to natural disaster.

Questions?

Please contact Dee Harbach, County Executive Director, at (307) 886-9001, dee.harbach@wy.usda.gov.

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