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Crop Reporting Deadline Approaching

Crop reports, form FSA-578, Report of Acreage, must account for all cropland on a farm, whether idle or planted. In Wyoming, producers need to file their 2014 acreage reports for spring seeded crops and CRP **by July 15, 2014**.

Prevented Planting: Needs be reported no later than 15 calendar days after the final planting date.

Failed Acreage: Must be filed before disposition of the crop, and producers must be able to establish to the satisfaction of the county committee that the crop failed and was prevented from being replanted through the normal planting period because of natural disaster conditions.

Livestock Disaster Assistance Programs Continue

Livestock Forage Disaster Program (LFP) and Livestock Indemnity Program (LIP), for years 2012 and 2013, sign-up began on April 15, 2014 and will continue through **January 30, 2015**. Please contact your local Farm Service Agency (FSA) service center for details and/or to schedule an appointment.

LIVESTOCK DISASTER PROGRAMS - PUBLIC MEETINGS COMING SOON

Public information and outreach meetings will be held throughout Platte County over the next few months. Schedules and details will be announced.

CRP INFORMATION

No general signup is scheduled for FY 2014.

Continuous CRP Signup 46 began on June 9, 2014. Continuous CRP is focused on environmentally sensitive land. Environmentally sensitive land may include, but is not limited to, agricultural land prone to erosion, pasture or agricultural land that borders river or stream banks, or field margins.

The Transition Incentives Program began on June 9, 2014. TIP provides two additional years of payments for retired farmers and ranchers who transition expiring CRP acres to socially disadvantaged, military veteran, or beginning producers who return the land to sustainable grazing or crop production.

Please contact your local Farm Service Agency (FSA) service center for details and eligibility requirements.

Emergency Assistance for Livestock, Honeybees, and Farm-Raised Fish Program (ELAP)

The ELAP sign-up deadline for 2012 and 2013 program year losses ends **August 1, 2014**. ELAP covers such items as: grazing losses that are not covered under LFP drought, purchases of replacement feed that was mechanically harvested that was destroyed in a stack due to flood, tornado, etc. and was intended to be fed to livestock that the producer owns, additional costs of purchasing feed above normal quantities that was due to weather event other than drought, and livestock death not covered under LIP.

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FSA COC Election

The period for nominating farmers and ranchers for the local COC election is June 15, 2014 through **August 1, 2014**. This year, LAA 1, basically the north half of the county, is up for election. Currently Ruthie Cundall represents this area on the County Committee. FSA encourages all eligible producers to nominate themselves or another producer, to run for office. Request nomination forms from the local FSA office or obtain online at <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/elections>.

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Dates to Remember	
Continuous	Continuous Conservation Reserve Program
Continuous	Farm Storage Facility Loans
April 15, 2014	Signup for Livestock Disaster Programs began
July 4, 2014	Independence Day Holiday – Office Closed
July 15, 2014	Crop Reporting Deadline
August 1, 2014	ELAP Deadline and COC Nomination Deadline
August 20, 2014	COC Meeting

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