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Washakie-Hot Springs County FSA Updates

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Next County Committee Meeting: March 12, 2015 at 2:00 p.m.

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 receive 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.

Phase 3 - Nov. 17, 2014 - March 31, 2015 - ARCPLC 1-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.

NAP Enrollment

Producers are reminded that the deadline in Wyoming to enroll in 2015 Noninsured Crop Disaster Program (NAP) coverage on **all other crops that are not** fall seeded and perennial forage crops (pasture included) is April 1, 2015.

Emergency Farm Loans

USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) provides emergency loans to help producers recover from production and physical losses due to drought, flooding, freeze, other natural disasters or quarantine. Emergency loan funds may be used to:

- Restore or replace essential property

- Pay all or part of production costs associated with the disaster year
- Pay essential family living expense
- Reorganize the farming operation
- Refinance certain debts

Further information and applications for the loan programs described are available at local FSA county offices. Contact your nearest office for an appointment.

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