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Direct Loan Servicing – Special	
and Inventory Property Management	
5-FLP	Amendment 25

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Amendment Transmittal

A Reasons for Amendment

Subparagraph 66 A has been amended to provide guidance on steps to take if a borrower is believed to be in nonmonetary default.

Subparagraph 67A has been amended to clarify how:

- financially distressed or current borrowers will be notified
- past due borrowers will be notified
- borrowers in nonmonetary default will be notified.

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Part 3 Loan Servicing – General Procedures

Section 1 Notifying Borrowers of Loan Servicing

66 Borrower Notification

A General Requirements

[7 CFR 766.101(a)] The Agency will provide servicing information under this section to borrowers who:

[7 CFR 766.101(a)] (1) Have a current farm operating plan that demonstrates the borrower is financially distressed;

[7 CFR 766.101(a)] (2) Are 90 days or more past due on loan payments, even if the borrower has submitted an application for loan servicing as a financially distressed borrower;

The authorized agency official must provide a loan servicing notification package to a borrower before initiating liquidation, accelerating borrower loan accounts, or repossessing or foreclosing FSA security, unless the borrower was previously notified as 90 calendar days past due or nonmonetary default and is already being serviced according to this part.

Example: A borrower misses his January 1, 2006, payment and is properly notified when he becomes 90 calendar days past due. Processing is then delayed and while FSA continues Primary Loan Servicing (PLS) he makes the January 1, 2006, payment on January 15, 2007. At this point, he is less than 90 calendar days past due; however, since the delinquency was not cured at any point, FSA continues to process PLS. He is not renotified.

If a loan is past due, the far left-hand column of the 540 Report shows the number of days that the loan is past due. The code "PDD" (Past Due Days) is shown beside the number.

--The 540 Report should be printed and reviewed immediately by the authorized agency official once it becomes available. Both the "Borrowers with Loans 90 Days Past Due"-- and the "Borrowers with Loans Less Than 90 Days Past Due" should be reviewed to find all accounts that will need to be notified of primary loan servicing in the coming month.

The borrower will be notified within 15 calendar days of becoming 90 calendar days past due.

Borrower Notification (Continued)

A General Requirements (Continued)

[7 CFR 766.101(a)] (3) Are in non-monetary default on any loan agreements;

*--FSA considers a borrower in nonmonetary default if the borrower has not acted in good faith through acts of fraud, waste, or conversion, or fails to meet any loan agreements with FSA according to 4-FLP, paragraph 99. For further information about compliance with loan agreements, see 4-FLP, Part 6.

If the nonmonetary default is because of conversion, FSA will take the actions required in 4-FLP, Part 7, Section 2 and 4-FLP, subparagraph 100 C. If it appears that a borrower is in nonmonetary default for any reason other than conversion, the borrower's noncompliance must be determined according to 4-FLP, subparagraph 100 B before being provided with Primary Loan Servicing notifications.--*

[7 CFR 766.101(a)] (4) Have filed bankruptcy;

When FSA learns that a borrower has filed for bankruptcy, FSA will service the borrower's account according to Part 11.

[7 CFR 766.101(a)] (5) Request this information;

The authorized agency official will record a borrower's request for a loan servicing notification package in the borrower's running record or place the written request in the borrower's file.

[7 CFR 766.101(a)] (6) Request voluntary conveyance of security;

The authorized agency official will send a loan servicing notification package to a borrower requesting full liquidation by voluntary conveyance, unless the borrower was previously notified and is already being serviced according to this part.

[7 CFR 766.101(a)] (7) Have only delinquent SA; or

FSA will notify delinquent NP borrowers who have only SA amortization agreements.

[7 CFR 766.101(a)] (8) Are subject to any other collection action, except when such action is a result of failure to graduate. Borrowers who fail to graduate when required and are able to do so, will be accelerated without providing notification of loan servicing options.

67 Providing Loan Servicing Notification Package

A Forms for Notifying Borrowers

[7 CFR 766.101(b)] The Agency will notify borrowers of the availability of primary loan servicing programs, conservation contract, current market value buyout, debt settlement programs and homestead protection as follows:

[7 CFR 766.101(b)] (1) A borrower who is financially distressed, or current and requesting servicing will be provided FSA-2512 (Appendix A to this subpart) (appendix only in CFR);

--Notification will be hand-delivered or sent by regular mail to borrowers who are current and requesting servicing.--

[7 CFR 766.101(b)] (2) A borrower who is 90 days past due will be sent FSA-2510 (Appendix B to this subpart) (appendix only in CFR);

--The authorized agency official must send FSA-2510 within 15 calendar days of the determination of the default. Notification will be sent by certified mail. The account will be flagged "PLS" (Exhibit 11), using FSA-2562, until the primary loan servicing process has been completed or the account accelerated.--

[7 CFR 766.101(b)] (3) A borrower who is non-monetary or both monetary and nonmonetary default will receive FSA-2514 (Appendix C to this subpart) (appendix only in CFR);

--If a potential nonmonetary default cannot first be resolved through the steps in subparagraph 66 A, FSA-2514 will be sent by certified mail. The account will be flagged "PLS" (Exhibit 11), using FSA-2562, until the primary loan servicing process has been completed, the default resolved, or the account accelerated.--

[7 CFR 766.101(b)] (4) A borrower who has only delinquent SA will be notified of available loan servicing;

The borrower will be sent FSA-2547 within 15 calendar days of the missed payment. The borrower must submit the items specified in subparagraphs 81 C through I within 60 calendar days of the date on the notice. If a complete application has not been received within 30 calendar days FSA-2548 will be sent.

[7 CFR 766.101(b)] (5) Notification to a borrower who files bankruptcy will be provided in accordance with subpart G (Part 11) of this part.

Note: Part 11 only addresses who would be sent notification. The appropriate form used for notification is established by this subparagraph based on the borrower's status as current, financially distressed, 90 calendar days past due, or nonmonetary default.

67 Providing Loan Servicing Notification Package (Continued)

B Using DLS Special Servicing

The authorized agency official must track all notification and servicing activity through DLS Special Servicing and FSA-2580.

C Methods of Notifying Borrowers

[7 CFR 766.101(c)] Notices to delinquent borrowers or borrowers in non-monetary default will be sent by certified mail to the last known address of the borrower. If the certified mail is not accepted, the notice will be sent immediately by first class mail to the last known address. The appropriate response time will begin 3 days following the date of the first class mailing. For all other borrowers requesting the notices, the notices will be sent by regular mail or hand delivered.

If the notification package is returned "address unknown", the authorized agency official will verify the borrower's current postal address using FSA-137 according to 5-AS, paragraph 77. If no new address can be obtained, the authorized agency official will continue to use the last known address.

Once the address verification process is completed, the authorized agency official will:

- record the date the original package was returned and the date the contents are re-mailed on the original envelope and file the original envelope in position 4 of the case file
- resend the contents of the loan servicing notification package in a new sealed envelope.

The timeframe for a complete application will be determined according to subparagraph 83 B.

D Requests for Copies of Regulations

A borrower may request copies of regulations at any time. When asked, the authorized agency official must provide a borrower 1 free copy of a regulation within 10 workdays of the request. See 2-INFO for further guidance.

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Number	Title	Reference	Reference
FSA-2523	Denial of Primary Loan Servicing for		116, 229, 322
	Borrowers Who Received Form FSA-2512 and		
	Applied for Servicing		
FSA-2524	Borrower Response to Denial of Primary Loan		116, 229, 322
	Servicing for Borrowers Who Received Form		
	FSA-2512 and Applied for Servicing		
FSA-2525	Intent to Accelerate for Borrowers Who		85
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	Did Not Apply for Servicing or Did Not Accept		
	Servicing		
FSA-2526	Borrower Response to and Intent to Accelerate		85
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	or FSA-2514 and Did Not Apply for Servicing		
FG 4 2720	or Did Not Accept Servicing		220
FSA-2529	Negotiated Appraisal Agreement		230
FSA-2535	Conservation Contract		Text
FSA-2537	Notification of Consideration for Homestead		281
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FSA-2538	Response to Notification of Consideration for		281
	Homestead Protection for Borrowers Who		
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FSA-2539	Homestead Protection Program Agreement		283, 284
FSA-2540	Notice of the Availability of Homestead		281, 568
EG A 25.42	Protection – Post Acquisition		TD /
FSA-2543	Shared Appreciation Agreement		Text
FSA-2544	Shared Appreciation Agreement Recapture		343, 344
EGA 2545	Appraisal Notice		244
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FSA-2548	Shared Appreciation Agreement Recapture		67
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FSA-2550	Report of Problem Case		421, 533
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EGA 2560	Determination State of A		526
FSA-2560	Request for Statement of Account		536

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FSA-2561	Statement of Account		536	
FSA-2562	Borrower Account Description Flag		67, 248, 401,	
			421, 534, 567,	
			Ex. 11	
FSA-2569	Warranty Deed		408, 496-499	
FSA-2570	Offer to Convey Security		284, 496, 497,	
			499, 500, 516,	
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FSA-2571	Agreement for Voluntary Liquidation of		464, 465, 516,	
	Chattel Security		518, 581	
FSA-2572	Agreement of Secured Parties to Sale of		581	
	Security Property			
FSA-2574	Confirmation Reorganization Plan Worksheet		404, 406	
FSA-2576	Notice of Judgment		551, 567, 568,	
			604	
FSA-2580	Primary and Preservation Loan Servicing		67, 533	
	Checklist			
FSA-2581	Inequitable Treatment Review Data		533	
FSA-2585	Acquisition or Abandonment of Secured		708, Ex. 66	
	Property			
FSA-2587	Advice of Property Acquired		568, 743	
FSA-2588	Acquired Property Maintenance		568	
FSA-2591	Lease of Real Property		281, 284, 568,	
			743	
FSA-2592	Invitation, Bid and Acceptance Sale of Real		776, 778, 782	
	Property by the United States			
FSA-2593	Standard Sales Contract Sale of Real		778	
	Property by the United States			
FSA-2594	Advice of Inventory Property Sold		778	
FSA-2595	Quitclaim Deed		778	
FSA-2596	Bill of Sale "A" (Sale of Government		780	
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FSA-2597	Farmer Programs Noncash Credit for		197	
	Purchase of Easement Rights			
IRS Form 1098	Mortgage Interest Statement		Ex. 16	
IRS Form 1099-C	Cancellation of Debt		406	
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