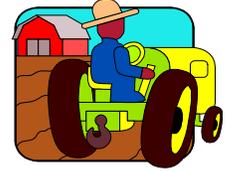




USDA FARM SERVICE AGENCY BULLETIN



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County Committee Meetings: Leavenworth-Wyandotte – 2nd Wednesday of each month; Atchison – 2nd Friday of each month



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!

The FSA Office will be closed on September 4th in observance of Labor Day. The office will also be closed on October 9th in observance of Columbus Day.

2006 LOAN DEFICIENCY PAYMENTS

Producers become eligible for a LDP by filing a 633-EZ page 1 prior to losing beneficial interest in the commodity. Our records show that most producers have already filed this form for 2006. Once the first page of the form has been signed and submitted, the producer can submit an LDP request for payment by completing page 2 for all harvested commodities. Page 2 can be submitted at any time during the loan availability period, before or after losing beneficial interest. **The key point is, page 1 of the EZ form must be signed before losing beneficial interest in the commodity.**

Regulations have changed for 2006 and subsequent years related to beneficial interest and producers being eligible for Marketing Assistance Loans and Loan Deficiency Payments. The new regulation requires warehouse operators to provide the following certification on all production evidence representing stored grain presented for LDP: *“Title and control remains with the producer and a negotiable warehouse receipt can be issued to the producer for the quantity physically delivered to the warehouse.”*

The certification statement will be valid for 7 days after the sheets are signed. If the storage sheets are not accompanied by the certification statement and signature OR it is received in our office after 7 days of certification, the LDP will be loaded as certified and subject to spot-check throughout the course of the next 9 months. When spot-checked, the warehouse will be contacted to verify that beneficial interest remained with the LDP recipient up to the time of the LDP request.

2006 COMMODITY LOAN RATES

County	Corn	Soybeans	Milo	Wheat
Atchison	\$2.02	\$4.97	\$3.48cwt	\$3.05
Leavenworth	2.04	5.12	3.58	3.17
Wyandotte	2.07	5.14	3.48	3.20



Find daily PCP rates for any county on the FSA web site www.fsa.usda.gov. Under Services/Programs (on the left side of the Home Page) click Price Supports on the right side of the next page click PCP rates.

COUNTY COMMITTEE ELECTIONS

The election of responsible agricultural producers to FSA county committees is important to ALL farmers and ranchers with large or small operations. Committee members are a critical component of the day-to-day operations of FSA. On November 3, 2006 ballots will be mailed to eligible voters. December 4, 2006 is the last day to return voted ballots to the USDA Service Center. Make a difference: Vote!! On January 1, 2007 elected committee members and alternates take office.

RECORD CHANGES

Changes to your farming operation need to be reported as quickly as possible after the change. This ensures that you do not become out of compliance and remain eligible for program payments through our office. All changes in ownership, shares, cropland, operator or tenant's shares need to be reported to our office immediately.

DCP ENROLLMENT DEADLINE

Producers who failed to meet the June 1st deadline to file a DCP contract have until September 29th to late file and pay a \$100 fee per farm to be eligible for this program. After September 29th, the option to participate for 2006 is no longer available. Remember that this is a contract that must be signed every year. The fact that you may have signed this contract for 2005, does not meet the requirement for the 2006 contract.

2006 COMMODITY LOANS

Producers can obtain a nine month commodity loan and take advantage of low interest rates through the Farm Service Agency. Individuals or entities requesting the loan need to meet the eligibility requirements of the program. These requirements include reporting acreage for the current year, being in conservation compliance, having a farm operating plan for payment eligibility, and having no delinquencies on any Federal non-tax debt. Eligible producers can obtain commodity loans by placing the commodity in approved farm or warehouse storage.

Producers requesting a farm stored loan can either request a measurement service or certify the loan quantity on a CCC-666. When requesting a warehouse stored loan, a warehouse receipt must be obtained and brought to the FSA Office showing storage prepaid for nine months. The payable amount of the loan will be 100% of the net quantity on the warehouse receipt.

The county loan rate for both farm stored and warehouse stored loans is the rate effective for the county in which the commodity is stored. Commodity loans can be repaid anytime prior to maturity, without penalty. The loan can also be repaid using the Posted County Price (PCP). Taking advantage of a PCP that is lower than the Loan Rate is referred to as market gain. PCP changes every day depending on market prices. You can "lock-in" a low PCP for a loan repayment rate using CCC-697. The locked-in rate stays in effect for 60 days, not to exceed 14 days before the loan matures.

A lien search, including Federal and State tax liens, will be performed in the Secretary of State's office for all loans after the loan request is filed and before the loan can be approved. The producer must obtain all necessary lien waivers (CCC-679) before the loan can be disbursed.

~Special accommodations can be made for producers with a handicap, vision impairment, or hearing impairment, by contacting Rick Abel, CED, at 913-833-5460, or 913-682-1085.

FSA Website -- For FSA forms, and the latest on FSA programs, try www.fsa.usda.gov.

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