

Farm Service Agency

Carbon-Emery County FSA Office

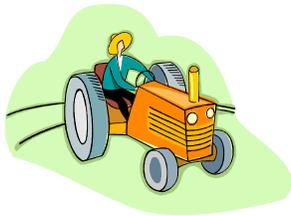
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CROP REPORTS

It is time to begin filing your 2007 crop reports with our office. Please call the County Office at 381-2300 and set up an appointment to come in and file your crop report. By setting up an appointment we will be able to have your maps and all forms ready for you and it will reduce the time required to complete this process.

The deadline to report acreage for Carbon and Emery counties is June 30, 2007. Reports filed after that will be required to pay a late fee.

Also keep track of your planting dates. Those dates are helpful to you in the event of a disaster program. Planting dates are also required for producers enrolled in NAP and crop insurance. We will ask you for these dates when you file your crop report.



LOAN DEFICIENT PAYMENTS

Loan Deficiency Payments on commodities are made when the Posted County Price for the commodity falls below the loan rate. LDP payment rates can change daily with the market. As harvest progresses and you are interested in an LDP payment, make sure you are familiar with program requirements and check the rates.

Reminder: There is a new form, the CCC-633 EZ, for requesting loan deficiency payments. This new form is designed to simplify the LDP process by combining the old CCC-633 and CCC-709. The new form is effective for 2006 and subsequent crop years.

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UTAH ASSOCIATION OF CONSERVATION DISTRICTS ARDL AND WATER QUALITY SRF NPS LOAN PROGRAMS

Applications for both these loans should be made with local Zone Coordinator and need to be approved by the local Soil Conservation District.

ARDL Program: Low-interest ARDL loans are available through the Utah Soil Conservation Commission in cooperation with the Utah Department of Agriculture. ARDL loans are made for a maximum of 12 years at 3 percent interest with a one-time administration fee of 4 percent.

The objectives of the program are to:

- Conserve soil and water resources
- Increase agricultural yields for croplands, orchards, pasture, range, and livestock
- Maintain and improve water quality
- Conserve and/or develop on-farm energy
- Reduce damages to agriculture as a result of flooding, drought, or other natural disasters

State Revolving Fund Water Quality Loans for Non-Point Source Pollution Projects (NPS Program): Low interest NPS loans are available to individuals or political subdivisions for a maximum of 20 years at 0%. Loans of less than \$150,000 are authorized by the Executive Secretary of the Water Quality Board. Projects must have a water quality improvement component. Loans made to the individual must be secured by collateral. These loans can be used in conjunction with EPA 319 Grants. Loans are underwritten by the Utah Soil Conservation Commission.

Applications can be picked up at your local USDA Service Center, Soil District Office, or local UACD Zone Office. For more information, please call Hal Lemon, Zone 7 UACD Coordinator at (435)381-2300 ext. 109.

OFFICE ELIGIBILITY REVIEW

Our office is currently conducting in-depth reviews of documents used to support producer eligibility. The review is the agency's effort to ensure the accuracy of all payments made to producers. This process takes great attention to detail and more time, and must be completed before any 2007 crop-year program payments can be made.

FARM LOAN INFORMATION

LOANS FOR SOCIALLY DISADVANTAGED:

The Farm Service Agency (FSA) can make and guarantee loans to socially disadvantaged applicants to buy and operate family size farms and ranches. Funds specifically for these loans are reserved each year. A socially disadvantaged farmer or rancher is one of a group whose members have been subjected to racial, ethnic, or gender prejudice because of their identity as members of the group without regard to their individual qualities. For purposes of this program, socially disadvantaged groups are women, African Americans, American Indians and Alaskan Natives, Hispanics, and Asians and Pacific Islanders. Contact your local FSA Farm Loan Manager or Officer for more details and assistance in applying.

RURAL YOUTH LOANS:

FSA makes operating loans to individual rural youths ages 10-20 to establish and operate income producing projects. These projects must be of modest size and be initiated, developed, and carried out by rural youths participating in 4-H Clubs, FFA, or a similar organization or with a vocational teacher or county extension agent. The project must be an organized and supervised program of work. It must produce sufficient income to repay the loan, and provide the youth with practical business and educational experience.

FARM LOAN ASSISTANCE:

Need temporary credit? Maybe we can help. FSA makes and guarantees loans to farmers and ranchers who are temporarily unable to obtain private commercial credit. These may be beginning farmers who can't qualify for conventional loans because of insufficient net worth, or established farmers who have a lack of cash flow to meet bank standards. These loans are tailored to a producers needs and may be used for the following purposes:

- Farm Ownership (FO) Loans: used to buy, develop, or expand a farm.
- Down Payment (FO) Loans: used to assist beginning farmers and ranchers to purchase a farm or ranch.
- Participation Loans: used to assist farmers or ranchers to purchase a farm with the assistance of a lender or the seller.
- Farm Operating Loans: used for operating expenses, family subsistence, machinery, livestock, permits, and to refinance debt.
- Beginning Farmer Loans: used to help farmers start an operation.
- Guaranteed Loans: local lenders ask for assistance from FSA to guarantee their loans for farm ownership or farm operating purposes.

Everyone needs financial help sometime. Perhaps FSA can help you with our loan programs and services to meet your farming needs. To find out how our programs could work for you just give us a call or stop in at the office.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Today	Report farming changes
June 1	2007 DCP sign-up deadline
June 30	2007 acreage report deadline

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