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DATES TO REMEMBER

November 12 – Office Closed for Holiday

November 22 – Office Closed for Holiday

December 1- NAP Deadline

December 3 – Final date to return ballots for County Committee Elections

October 2007

Clay County FSA News

2005, 2006, and 2007-Crop Disaster Program Sign-Up.

Sign up for the Crop Disaster Program (CDP) started October 15th, 2007. For CDP you may choose only one of the disaster years to receive benefits. In the year chosen you must prove at least a 35% loss and either have crop insurance or Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program insurance (NAP) to qualify. Please call to schedule an appointment for sign-up.

Sign up for two Livestock Disaster Programs are under way.

We are taking appointments for producers to sign up for the Livestock Compensation Program (LCP) and Livestock Indemnity Program (LIP) that started on September 10th, 2007. These two new programs cover producers who suffered feed losses and/or livestock losses between January 1, 2005–February 28th, 2007. For both of these programs you must have documented evidence to prove any loss. Contact our office for more information.

Conservation Reserve Program CP33 Deadline Approaching

Eligible land may be enrolled in conservation practice CP33 (habitat buffers). This practice initiative provides food and cover for bobwhite quail in cropland acres. Sign-up for these remaining 32,368 allocated acres will end **December 31, 2007** or when the acres are all enrolled, whichever comes first.



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NAP Information

December 1, 2007 is the final application date for all Grasses including Alfalfa, Apricots, Asparagus, Blueberries, Caneberries (Blackberries and Raspberries), Cherries, Clover, Grapes, Lespedeza, Honey, Mixed Forage, Nectarines, Oats, Peaches, Strawberries, and Vetch.

NAP reminders –

- Producers with losses are to notify FSA within 15 days of the loss. As with crop insurance, the crop is not to be destroyed until released by a NAP crop loss adjuster.
- Producers are required to report their NAP acres timely. Producers with grazing coverage need to report the pasture acres before moving the livestock to pasture. Also, alfalfa must be reported before the first cutting is harvested.
- Producers are to provide bale counts and weights when reporting production of baled crops. We must have verifiable weights of the bales. The time to verify production is at the completion of harvest. The production needs to be reported so it is verifiable and has not been fed.

County Committee Elections

For those producers who are located in Local Administrative Area (LAA)-2 be watching your mailbox for the county office committee election ballot. Ballots will be mailed out on **November 2, 2007**. If, for some reason, you don't receive a ballot, feel free to notify the county FSA office. All ballots are due by **December 3, 2007**.

•Townships included in LAA-2 are Bloom, Five Creeks, Blaine, Clay Center North, Clay Center South, and Union

2008 Agriculture Census Information Coming

The Census of Agricultural is taken every 5 years, to gather information about every farm and ranch in the nation and the people who operate them. Forms will be mailed out to producers in December and will also include directions for responding online. Offering this service online will save time and postage costs while accommodating many producers who are using the internet more. These are not due until **February 4th, 2008**.