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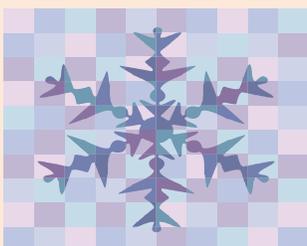
County Committee

Jeff Weishaar
Mark Meinke
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Chris McClelland
Tom Schwinn
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Ronda Turner
Theresa Zule
Jackie Schwinn
Ronda Schuler
Frank Sayles

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Informational Meetings Planned

The 2008 Farm Bill amended the Trade Act of 1974 to create five new disaster programs, collectively referred to as Supplemental Agriculture Disaster Assistance programs. The following meetings are scheduled to review and discuss program details and provisions:

Tuesday, February 23, 2010, 1:30 p.m.

4H Building at the Valley Falls Fair Grounds

Wednesday, February 24, 2010, 1:30 p.m.

4H Building, 104 4H Rd., Lansing (located behind Wood Oil)

County Committee Election Results

Congratulations to Chris McClelland and Tom Schwinn! Chris was reelected to represent producers from LAA2 (Jefferson County Townships Fairview, Ozawkie, Rock Creek, and Union) and Tom was reelected to represent producers from LAA4 (All of Leavenworth County north of County Road 8).

FSA appreciates all of the voters for taking the time to complete the election ballot. The county committee system works only because of your participation.

The committee members held their organization meeting in January. Jeff Weishaar was elected as Chairperson and Mark Meinke was elected as Vice Chairperson.

1099G Tax Information

Producers should have received a CCC-1099-G from the Kansas City office detailing the payments you received from FSA in 2009. The CCC-1099-G is a service to help participating producers report taxable income. It is not intended to replace the program participant's responsibility to report income to the IRS. If you received a CCC-1099-G, we recommend that you thoroughly review the amounts shown with those in your records to see that the amounts are correct. This year, the 2009 Advance payments producers received from the Direct and Counter-Cyclical Payment (DCP) Program were processed as overpayments and offset from the 2009 Final payments. The 2009 Advance payments will not be reflected on the CCC-1099-G. The CCC-1099-G will reflect only the total 2009 DCP direct payment entitlement. Producer refunds are not shown. If you have questions on payments received, refunds you have paid or other questions regarding your CCC-1099-G, contact the office. If you choose to visit the office, please bring your CCC-1099-G with you.

NAP Coverage Deadline

March 15th is the last day to pay the applicable service fee to obtain Non-Insured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) coverage for coarse grains, vegetable and melon crops, amaranth, chestnuts, cotton, pecans, pumpkins, safflower, sesame, squash, and walnuts.

The administrative service fee is \$250 per crop per administrative county not to exceed \$750 per producer per administrative county and an \$1875 maximum fee for multi-county producers. Interested producers must pay the fee and file form CCC-471, Application for Coverage, by the application closing deadline.

TAX Information Required



USDA has finalized a Memorandum of Understanding with the Internal Revenue Service to establish an electronic information exchange process for verifying compliance with the adjusted gross income (AGI) provisions for farm programs. Beginning in 2010, written consent will be required from each producer or payment recipient for the tax review process. No actual tax data will be included in the report that IRS sends to USDA. This agreement will ensure that payments are not issued to producers whose AGI exceeds certain limits. Producers **MUST** file a Consent to Disclosure of Tax Information form with the IRS to remain eligible for USDA payments. This form may be obtained from any local FSA offices or online at:

<http://forms.sc.egov.usda.gov/eforms/mainservlet>

FSA eNews

The Oskaloosa FSA Service Center is looking for better ways to communicate with our producers. Gathering email addresses, to notify producers of upcoming events and deadlines is a modern way of reaching out. If you would like to be included in this form of communication, please send an email to theresa.zule@ks.usda.gov requesting to be added to the list.

Reminders

Oct. 1 - June 1	Signup for 2010 DCP and ACRE Program
Feb. 1	Wool Mohair, Pelt, LDP Deadline
Feb. 15	Presidents Day - Office Closed
Mar. 15	Deadline to purchase NAP Coverage
Mar. 31	2009 Wheat, Oats, and Barley Loan/LDP Deadline
May 31	Memorial Day – Office Closed
June 1	2009 Corn, Sorghum, Soybean Loan/LDP Deadline
June 1	Deadline to certify small grain crops

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