



Farm Service Agency

DUCHESNE COUNTY FSA NEWSLETTER

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Acreage Reporting

ALL participating farms must file a crop report to be eligible for program benefits. This includes payments under DCP, NAP, CRP, LDPs, and disaster programs.

The deadline to report acreage for Duchesne County is June 30, 2006.

(Reports filed after that date will be required to pay a \$20 late fee.)

Also keep track of your planting dates. We will ask you for these dates when you file your crop report. 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.

Please call before coming in so we can have your files and maps ready when you arrive.

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MILC Program

The Milk Income Loss Contract Program compensates dairy producers when domestic milk prices fall below a specified level. The reauthorized and extended program period is called MILCX.

Eligible dairy producers are those who, beginning December 1, 2001 through September 30, 2007:

- Commercially produce and market cow milk in the US, or
- Produce milk in the US and commercially market the milk outside the US

The initial sign-up phase ends May 17, 2006. The extended sign-up phase goes from May 18, 2006 to September 30, 2007. Eligible producers can apply for benefits anytime during either sign-up phase according to the applicable rules for each phase.

DCP

Direct and Counter-Cyclical Program

It's time once again to sign-up for the DCP Program!

This commodity based program is not a continuous program. Contracts for the DCP program must be updated each year.

The deadline to enroll in the 2006 year without a late payment fee is June 1, 2006.

Once you have a signed contract on file, FSA can issue an advance payment (40% of direct payment) after you designate which month you want the payment.

Update your farm records. Changes made to your farming operation and acreage totals can affect your payments and compliance with other FSA programs.

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NAP

Non-insured Crop Disaster Assistance Program

Producers who have their crops or grazing land insured under NAP are reminded that a Notice of Loss, form CCC-576, should be filed within 15 days of the disaster occurrence or date damage to the crop is apparent.

Producers who have NAP coverage on crops such as non-irrigated alfalfa, oat hay, barley hay, grass hay, honey, etc. should submit production records from last year to our office. These production records are used in calculating your "Actual Production History" for your farm or unit. June 30, 2006 is the deadline to submit 2005 crop year production records.

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Dates to Remember

Today	Sign-up for 2006 DCP
Today	File Acreage Report
Today	Sign CCC-633 EZ
May 29	Office Closed – Memorial Day
June 1	2006 DCP sign-up deadline
June 6	COC Meeting
June 30	2006 acreage report deadline
June 30	Deadline to submit production for 2005 NAP

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COC Elections

The election of responsible agricultural producers to FSA county committees is important to ALL farmers and ranchers with large or small operations. It is crucial that every eligible producer take part in this election because county committees are a direct link between the farm community and USDA.

Committee members are a critical component of the day-to-day operations of FSA. They help deliver FSA farm programs at the local level. Farmers who serve on committees help decide the kind of programs their counties will offer. They work to make FSA agricultural programs serve the needs of local producers. Agricultural producers in LAA 1 (Duchesne, Fruitland, Tabiona, Hanna, and Utahn, will be electing their representative on the Duchesne County Committee.

Nominate the producer of your choice beginning June 15! Vote and make a difference! Pick up nomination forms (FSA-669A "Nomination Form for County FSA Committee Election") and eligibility information from this office.

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Wool LDP Program

A subsidy payment on your wool and mohair is available so you can apply for an LDP payment on your 2006 wool. An LDP is paid when the market price of wool falls below the loan rate. For wool, the payment rate can change each week and is announced each Wednesday.

It is extremely important that you have form CCC-633 EZ Page 1 on file before you begin shearing.

By signing this page, you indicate your intention to receive LDP benefits and you maintain your eligibility in the program. Once the form is signed, you can submit an LDP request for payment at any time during the loan availability period. You will need to bring your wool receipts to this Service Center after your wool or mohair has been sold.

If you lose beneficial interest in the wool before your signed CCC-633 EZ is on file with this office, you will lose your eligibility to participate in this program.

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