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## Crop Disaster Program (CDP)

All eligible farmers who suffered quantity losses to their crops in recent years can enroll in the Crop Disaster Program 2005-2007 (CDP) at local FSA service centers. FSA will announce and conduct sign-up for quality losses under CDP at a later date.

CDP provides benefits to farmers who suffered losses to the 2005-2007 crops from natural disaster and related conditions as long as the actual crop lost was planted or prevented from being planted before Feb. 28, 2007. Producers who incurred qualifying losses in 2005, 2006, or 2007 must choose only one year to receive benefits. Producers may apply for benefits for losses to multiple crops as long as the losses occurred in the same crop year.

Only producers who obtained crop insurance coverage or coverage under the Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) for the year of loss will be eligible for CDP benefits. Producers must have suffered quantity losses in excess of 35 percent to be eligible for CDP. The payment rate is set at 42 percent of the established price.

Assistance, together with any crop insurance or NAP payment received for the same crop and including the value of the crop production not lost, must not exceed 95 percent of the total value of the crop absent the disaster.

FCIC insurance information has been received by the County Office and will be available for use in sign-up. Any crops that are non-insured (alfalfa, forage hay) under NAP will need production evidence

*PLEASE CALL FOR AN APPOINTMENT PRIOR TO COMING IN.*

## LIVESTOCK COMPENSATION PROGRAM

LCP compensates livestock producers for grazing or stored feed losses resulting from natural disasters occurring between January 1, 2005 and February 28, 2007. Producers in primary or contiguous counties declared Secretarial disaster areas or counties declared Presidential disaster areas between January 1, 2005 and February 28, 2007 are eligible. Gilliam County and Wheeler County has declared disaster areas in 2005 and 2006. Contact your local office for more details.

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## FARM CHANGES

Please notify this office of any farm changes: land ownership, boundaries of farm, operator, etc.

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### **SIGNATURE AUTHORITY FOR SPOUSES**

Spouses may sign documents on behalf of each other for FSA and CCC programs in which either has an interest unless written notification denying a spouse this authority has been provided to the County Office.

Spouses shall not sign on behalf of the other as an authorized signatory for partnerships, joint ventures, corporations, or other similar entities.

### **PAYMENT LIMITATION**

USDA payments and benefits are subject to producer eligibility and limitation provisions as defined by law. Documents and forms to determine eligibility and limitation, once completed, are reviewed on an annual basis.

It is the producer's responsibility to report changes in the farming operation that may affect payment eligibility and limitation. Please notify this office of any changes – examples: individual to trust, changes of entity members, shares, signature authority, etc.

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