



GRANT COUNTY FARM SERVICE AGENCY



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NON-INSURED CROP DISASTER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (NAP)

Application deadline date for the 2009 coverage on hay and rangeland crops under the Non-Insured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) is **December 1, 2008**.

An eligible producer is a landowner or tenant who is at risk of producing an eligible crop. The annual gross revenue of the eligible producer or any individual or entity cannot exceed \$2 million.

NAP was designed to reduce financial losses that occur when natural disasters cause a catastrophic loss of production or prevented planting of an eligible crop by providing coverage equivalent to catastrophic (CAT) insurance. Statute limits NAP to each commercial crop or agricultural commodity, except livestock, for which CAT is not available.

NAP provides financial assistance to producers of noninsurable crops when low yields, loss of inventory or prevented planting occur due to natural disasters. NAP coverage for 2009 costs \$250 per crop, but not more than \$750 per producer per county, or not more than \$1,875 total per producer for all counties.

Limited resource producers may request a waiver of service fees. Limited resource producer status can be determined using the USDA Limited Resource Farmer and Rancher Online self Determination Tool at <http://www.lrftool.sc.egov/tool.asp>. The automated system calculates and displays adjusted gross farm sales per year and the higher of the national poverty level or county median household income.

SUPPLEMENTAL AGRICULTURAL DISASTER ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

On June 18, 2008, the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 (2008 Farm Bill) was enacted into Public Law 110-246. This Act amended the Trade Act of 1974 to create five new disaster programs, collectively referred to as Supplemental Agriculture Disaster Assistance programs. Those programs include:

Supplemental Revenue Assistance Payments (SURE) Program – This program will be available to eligible producers on farms in disaster counties, including contiguous counties, that have incurred crop production losses and/or crop quality losses during the crop year. Also, on any farm in which, during the calendar year, the total loss of production of the farm because of weather is greater than 50 percent of the normal production.

Livestock Forage Disaster Program (LFP) – This program will be available to eligible livestock producers who suffered grazing losses for livestock because of drought on pastureland or fire on rangeland managed by a Federal agency if the livestock producer is prohibited from grazing the normal permitted livestock on the managed rangeland.

Livestock Indemnity Program (LIP)

Tree Assistance Program (TAP)

Emergency Assistance for Livestock, Honey Bees, and Farm-Raised Fish (ELAP)

Note: To be eligible for these programs, producers must purchase at least catastrophic risk protection (CAT) level of crop insurance for all insurable crops and/or Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) coverage for non-insurable crops.

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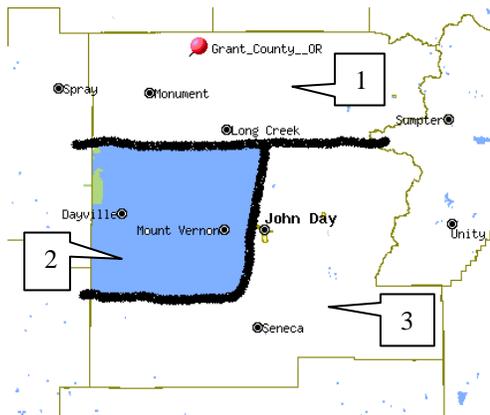
County Committee Election for LAA #2

MONDAY IS DEADLINE TO VOTE IN FSA COUNTY COMMITTEE ELECTIONS

Ballots must be returned to FSA offices or postmarked by **Dec. 1, 2008**. Newly elected Committee members and alternates take office Jan. 1, 2009.

“It is crucial that all farmers and ranchers vote to give them a voice in how FSA programs are administered in our area.

FSA Committee members play an important role in their communities by making decisions on commodity price support loans and payments; conservation and disaster programs, and other important issues.



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