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Hours: Mon-Fri, 8:00 am – 4:30 pm

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Informational Meeting on Crop Insurance and EQIP Programs

A follow-up workshop to the March 1st meeting in Klamath Falls is planned to address various irrigation related issues of producers who farm in both Northern California and Klamath County, Oregon. The workshop will focus on FSA, RMA and NRCS programs with a goal to help farmers familiarize themselves with the various disaster assistance programs that may be available to them now or down the road. The following individuals will be available to present information and field questions:

Val Dolcini, State Executive Director, California Farm Service Agency • Nancy Beaumont, Regional Director RMA (California) • Dave Paul, Regional Director RMA (Oregon) • Gene Kelley, RC&D Coordinator, Or-Cal RC&D (representing California NRCS) • Ron Alvarado, State Conservationist, Oregon NRCS • Lynn Voigt, State Executive Director, Oregon Farm Service Agency The workshop will be held on Tuesday, April 13th at 6:00 pm following a hosted dinner, at the Shilo Inn, Klamath Falls. To ensure a seat, please RSVP your attendance to the OWGL Office via email to mblagg@owgl.org or by phone: 541-276-7330 (email preferred).

Have You Suffered a Crop Loss?

The FSA office is receiving reports of crop damage or loss because of the recent wind and hail storms. For producers with NAP insurance you are required to file a CCC-576 within 15 days of the weather event that caused the loss or within 15 days the loss is apparent. Other producers wanting failed acreage credit must file a notice of loss prior to disposition of the crop. This includes planting to another crop, abandoning or destroying the original crop.

- ✓ Contact your FSA Office to determine if you need a CCC-576
- ✓ Notify Your Crop Insurance Agent

A CCC-576, Notice of Loss is required to be filed within 15 days of the final planting date for the crop if the crop was prevented from being planted. This form needs to be on file in your FSA office before your acreage report can be completed to include prevented planting acreage.

2 Million Dollar Drought Initiative Program

The Natural Resource Conservation Service has been allocated \$2 million dollars for the Klamath Basin. These funds will be available in the form of cost share and will serve California and Oregon producers. The objective of the program is to allow producers the opportunity to plant cover crops in order to minimize wind erosion. The sign up continues through April 9, 2010. Applications will be ranked and selected for funding every Thursday throughout the sign-up until available funds are depleted. Klamath County NRCS will be working cooperatively with the Farm Service Agency and the Klamath Soil and Water Conservation Service to make this process work as efficiently as possible. Please contact 541-883-6924 x 2 to sign up in Klamath County and 530-667-3473 for your California signup.

