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CROP DISASTER PROGRAM (CDP)

CDP provides benefits to farmers who suffered quantity and quality losses to 2005, 2006, or 2007 crops from natural disasters if the crop was planted before Feb. 28, 2007, or, in the case of prevented plantings, for crops that would have been planted before Feb. 28, 2007. Producers who incurred qualifying losses in 2005, 2006 or 2007 must choose only one year to apply for benefits. Producers may apply for benefits for losses to multiple commodities as long as the losses occurred in the same crop year.

Only producers who obtained Federal crop insurance coverage or coverage under the Non-insured 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. Maximum benefit available is \$80,000. Sign-up for CDP, quantity losses started October 15, 2007. FSA will announce and conduct CDP sign-up for quality losses as soon as possible.

After nearly a century of advocacy, **National American Indian Heritage Month** was first recognized through joint resolution by Congress in 1990. Now recognized annually, November is a time to learn more about the history and heritage of Native American peoples.

LIVESTOCK COMPENSATION PROGRAM (LCP)

LCP compensates livestock producers for grazing or stored feed losses resulting from natural disasters occurring between January 1, 2005 and February 28, 2007. Contact our office for qualifying loss time periods and eligible loss reasons (i.e. excess moisture).

Following are among the types of commercial livestock operations that will be eligible for LCP: dairy cattle, beef cattle, buffalo, beefalo, equine, poultry, elk, reindeer, sheep, goats, swine or deer. 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. Producers incurring a loss in more than one of the 2005, 2006 or 2007 calendar years must choose only one year for which to receive benefits. Sign-up started September 10, 2007.

LIVESTOCK INDEMNITY PROGRAM (LIP)

LIP provides benefits to livestock producers for livestock deaths caused by natural disasters that occurred between January 1, 2005 and February 28, 2007. Contact our office for qualifying loss time periods and eligible loss reasons (i.e. excess moisture). Producers incurring a loss in more than one of the 2005, 2006 or 2007 calendar years must choose only one year for which they want to apply for benefits.

Following are among the types of livestock operations that may be eligible for LIP: beef cattle, buffalo, beefalo, dairy cattle, chickens, deer, ducks, equines, geese, goats, reindeer, sheep, swine and turkeys. The livestock must have been maintained for a commercial farming operation and *does not include* wild free roaming animals or animals used for recreational purposes such as hunting, pets, roping or for show.



To be eligible for LIP an owner's livestock must have died in an eligible county as a direct result of an eligible disaster after January 1, 2005 and before February 28, 2007, no later than 60 calendar days from the ending date of the disaster period (but before 2/28/07) and in the calendar year for which benefits are requested. Sign-up began September 10, 2007.

Do you no longer have an interest as an agricultural land owner or operator? If so, please let us know so that our records can be updated and your name deleted from our mailing list.



2007 Final Direct and Counter Cyclical Program (DCP) Payments were issued mid October.

UPCOMING OFFICE CLOSURES:

November 12 Veteran's Day
November 22 Thanksgiving Day
December 25 Christmas Day
January 1 New Year's Day

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2007 COMMITTEE ELECTIONS: BALLOTS DUE DECEMBER 3, 2007

Candidates have been nominated for Lane County's FSA Committee. Ballots will be mailed out by mid-November. You will be voting from the selection of candidates for LOCAL ADMINISTRATIVE AREA (LAA) 2 ... **Coburg, Creswell, Springfield, Hwy 58 areas. Only known eligible voters in these areas will receive ballots.** If your primary ag interest is in these areas and you believe you should have received a ballot, please call our office.

Remember to **VOTE FOR ONLY ONE** choice and **SIGN THE BALLOT RETURN ENVELOPE** where indicated. **UNSIGNED BALLOTS ARE NOT VALID** You may either mail your ballot back (must be postmarked Dec 3rd or earlier) or drop it by our office by 4:30 pm on Dec 3rd. To assist you in voting, the following are brief biographies of this year's candidates from the election area. Both nominees have indicated they are willing to serve if elected.

CINDY HARROLD lives on Davisson Road at Creswell. Cindy is involved in the family dairy farm and is also a partner in a beef and sheep operation. She is the secretary for the Creswell Irrigation Association and past president of the Pacific NW Young Cooperators.

ANDY PETERSEN resides at Upper Camp Creek Road east of Springfield. Other than seven years in the Air Force, Andy has spent his life on the family ranch, O. Petersen & Sons Farm Ptn. The ranch deals in cattle, hay, and timber. Andy has been a member of the Lane County Livestock Association for thirteen years.

LOANS FOR SOCIALLY DISADVANTAGED APPLICANTS - Contact the Farm Loan Staff in Tangent at 541-967-5925.

FSA can make direct and guaranteed loans to socially disadvantaged applicants to buy and operate family-size farms and ranches. Funds specifically for these loans are reserved each year. Non-reserved funds can also be utilized. Socially disadvantaged loan applicants do not receive automatic approval. Individual applicants under this program must meet all requirements for FSA's regular farm loan program assistance.

A socially disadvantaged applicant is one of a group whose members have been subjected to racial, ethnic or gender prejudice because of his/her identity as members of the group without regard to individual qualities. For purposes of this program, socially disadvantaged groups are women, African Americans, American Indians, Alaskan Natives, Hispanics, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders.

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