



## Bracken County News

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### Bracken County USDA Service Center

**Bracken County FSA**  
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**Hours**  
Monday - Friday  
8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

**County Committee**  
Danny Teegarden  
Paul Cannon  
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Retha Wyatt, Advisor  
Melvin Lail, Advisor

County Committee meets  
2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the Month

**Staff**  
John R Scott, CED, FSA  
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### CHANGE – CHANGE –CHANGE

The one constant with USDA-FSA is that there are always changes. With the tobacco buyout, there are many changes taking place in the Kentucky Farm Service Agency county offices. Bracken County is no exception. Many of these changes are due to budget concerns and staffing levels. Occasionally, this office may be closed for a day while the staff attends training meetings. If you need to visit the office and will be traveling a long distance, it would be to your advantage to call ahead to be assured that the office will be open that day. Normal office hours are Monday thru Friday, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm.

### FARM RECORD CHANGES

During a recent Phase I Program sign-up thru the Co-operative Extension Office, it came to our attention that many parcels of land have been bought and sold within the county. In order to participate in the Phase I programs, a Farm Serial Number (FSN) is required. In order to receive this FSN, the Bracken Co. FSA Office will need a copy of the deed for the land purchased, along with the name, address and social security numbers of all the owners. If available, a copy of the survey is also helpful. The FSA Office will identify the land and assign a FSN according to our regulations. This number will then be used on the Phase I applications for cost share.

### COC ELECTIONS

The Farm Service Agency county committees are responsible for the administration of Federal farm programs at the local level.

Bracken County will be holding an election for a person to represent Local Administrative Area (LAA) Three beginning January 1, 2007. LAA Three begins at the north end of the county at Wellsburg following Hwy 1159 to Brooksville, to Hwy 19 south to Chaney Rd, to Hwy 539 west to the county line. All farms to the north and west of these highways lie in LAA 3.

If you live in this area and do not receive a ballot in November, please contact this office. Ballots must be returned to the county office by December 4, 2006.

### LOAN DEFICIENCY PAYMENTS

As the fall harvest of grain crops begin, producers of corn and soybeans need to check the internet or the county office for possible Loan Deficiency Payments (LDP) prior to losing their beneficial interest in the crop. The LDP payment rate is posted at the office or on the web at <http://www.fsa.usda.gov>.

### MILK INCOME LOSS PROGRAM

Dairy producers please remember to bring your production records to the office. The payment rate for August is \$0.9248/cwt, September is \$0.9656/cwt and October is \$0.4318/cwt.