Farm Service Agency

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Breckinridge/Meade County News

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Election Time Is Here in Community 3

It's County Committee election time again! Community 3 in Breckinridge County and Community 3 in Meade County elections will be held this December. In Breckinridge County, Tony Hobbs and Leroy Luney will be on the ballot to represent Community 3. In Meade County, Tom Benock and Pete Perales will be on the ballot to represent Community 3. Eligible voters in their respective communities will be mailed the ballots on November 4th. The last day to return voted ballots to the USDA Service Center will be December 5th, 2006. The newly elected committee members will take office January 1, 2007.

Save Time—Go Online

Stop by our office and we will get you registered to conduct business with our office over the internet. You can update DCP information, participate with LDP's, and check loan balances if you are a FSA borrower.

Report Your Disaster

With disasters such as the heavy rains suffered on September 22 and 23, 2006, producers need to be mindful of reporting losses to the FSA offices. Disaster designations are often determined by the number of farmers who have been effected by the disaster, so it is important to report you situation.

Meet Our Current Committee

Breckinridge County

Ova Alexander Chairman
Ann Denton, Vice-Chair
Rodney Willis, Member
Leroy Luney, Advisor

Meade County

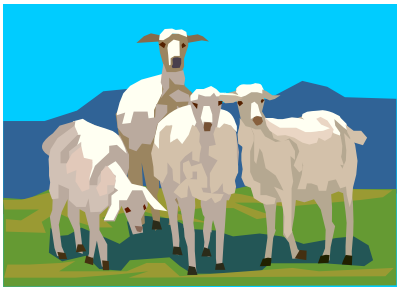
Tom Benock, Chairman
Houston Haynes, V-Chair
Leslie Stith, Member
Mattie Mack, Advisor

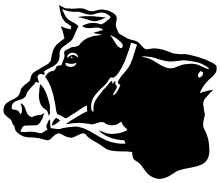
County Committee meets:

Breckinridge 1st Friday of each month
Meade 1st Thursday of each month

Guaranteed Loans

With today's unsteady grain market prices and the uncertainty of the tobacco contract markets, purchasing additional farm real estate or equipment can be hard for some farmers. FSA may be able to help you out. FSA has programs available to work with your regular lender to get a financing package that is right for you. FSA may be able to provide a guarantee to your lender if your cash flow is tight or your security is not quite up to their typical requirements. With FSA backing, your bank would then be able to continue to finance your current expansion needs. Ask your lender if they would consider an FSA guarantee on your next project, or stop by the FSA office to discuss the program with the Ag Credit Staff.





Youth Loans

Even though the season is now fall, it is already time to be planning for next years' county fair. FSA can help FFA and 4-H members finance their show steers, lambs, hogs, and goats. We can also help students finance a small herd of breeding stock with FSA's low interest youth loans. Our current interest rate is 5.375%. For more information you can speak with your FFA or 4-H advisor or contact the FSA Ag Credit Staff at 756-5292.

Learn Our Lingo

LDP---Loan Deficiency Payment
DCP--Direct Counter Cyclical Payments
CRP--Conservation Reserve Program
NAP--Non Insured Crop Disaster Assistance Program
EQUIP--Environmental Quality Incentive Program
PL----Payment Limitation
TTPP-Tobacco Transitional Payment Program
FO---Farm Ownership loan
OL---Operating loans

Dates to Remember	
Nov. 10	Office Closed
Nov. 11	Veteran's Day
Nov. 23	Thanksgiving
Dec. 25	Christmas
Jan. 1	New Years Day