



Webster County News

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Farm Loan Program News

The local farm loan team announced that a record number of farmers purchased land in 2006 with low interest rate loans from FSA. Even though the number of applications was significantly greater than previous years, all loans were funded. This is unusual from previous years in which some loan requests are held over until October 1st to fund from a new fiscal year. Without a backlog of request from 2006 fiscal year, 2007 should be a good year for a loan to buy a farm.

Most of these loan requests came from young farmers who purchased 50 to 100 acres of farm land. They are young farmers out of high school or college who grew up on a farm and now want to start their own operation. These loans are 40 year low fixed rate loans which are very beneficial to a beginning farmer.

A high number of requests also came from youths 10 to 18 years of age. These youths are 4-H or FFA students who received loans to finance their projects. The most popular loan was for students who purchased cows to begin a cattle operation.

The October interest rate for real estate loans is 5.625% and the rate for operating loans is 5.375%. Call your FSA office to speak to a loan officer.

Farm Records

When selling or purchasing part of a farm, the Designation by Landowner method of division of bases may be used. The Designation by Landowner method is the division of bases in the manner agreed by the parent farm owner and purchaser or transferee. Both parties must agree the division.

COC Election

Webster County Farm Service Agency will be receiving ballots for LAA 3 to elect a person to represent this area and serve on the FSA county committee. Farmers who serve on the committee will help decide the kind of programs their counties will offer. They work to make FSA agricultural programs serve the needs of the local producers.

Reporting Crops

Webster County FSA office will begin taking crop reports for producers who have CRP and/or grass on their entire farm. If you wish to report your CRP, grass, or idle ground to maintain program eligibility please come by the FSA office to file a FSA-578. Early reporting will keep you from being in the office at heavy reporting time and reduce your waiting time.