

Farm Service Agency

Utah/Wasatch County FSA Office
October/November 2006



COUNTY COMMITTEE ELECTION

Just a reminder to watch your mailbox for your official county office committee election ballot. Early in November ballots will be mailed to all eligible voters in Utah County Local Administrative Area 1 which is the Fairfield, Cedar Fort, Lehi, American Fork, Highland, Alpine, Lindon & Pleasant Grove areas. Ballots will also be mailed to eligible voters in Local Administrative Area 4 Wasatch County which is the Heber, Daniels, Center Creek, & Lake Creek areas. If you don't receive a ballot please notify the county office. Completed and signed ballots are due back in the county office by the close of business on December 4, 2006. Newly elected county committee members take office on January 1, 2007.



FINAL PAYMENTS

2005 COUNTER-CYCLICAL
PAYMENTS ON CORN

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2006 DIRECT AND COUNTER-
CYCLICAL PROGRAM

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2006 CONSERVATION
RESERVE PROGRAM

Check your bank account!!!!



COUNTY INFORMATION

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DATES TO REMEMBER

October 9	Columbus Day Holiday
November 3	COC Election Ballots Mailed
November 10	Veteran's Day Holiday
November 23	Thanksgiving Holiday
December 1	Deadline to purchase NAP coverage
December 4	COC Ballots must be postmarked or delivered to office

Harvest



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NAP DEADLINE APPROACHING DECEMBER 1, 2006

NRCS CONSERVATION PROGRAM SIGN-UP ENDS NOV. 15, 2006

The sign up period for several NRCS programs will be coming earlier this year. The period to sign up for the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) and Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program (WHIP) **is currently open and will end on November 15th 2006**. These programs assist landowners by providing 50% - 75% of the cost involved in completing conservation projects on private land.

These programs can help you pay for:

- **Rangeland and pastureland improvement projects** including fencing, stock-water developments, weed control, brush control, seeding and even yearly incentive payments for proper grazing management.
- **Irrigation improvements** including sprinklers, pivots, pipelines, pumping systems, and land leveling.
- **Streambank restoration projects** including rock-barbs, reshaping of banks, willow and other woody vegetation plantings, riparian fencing and off-stream stock watering systems.
- **Animal waste management systems** including waste storage structures, pipelines and feedlot relocations.

The above list is just a sampling of the types of conservation projects available through NRCS. If you would like more information, please contact Travis Thomason for the Wasatch County NRCS at 435-654-0242 ext. 10 or David Hanson for the Utah County NRCS at 801-377-5580 ext. 20. All programs and services of the Natural Resources Conservation Service are provided in a nondiscriminatory manner.

The NAP (Non Insured Assistance Program) can soften financial losses caused by natural disasters, but only if you have applied for coverage and paid the application fee. This program can be likened to an insurance policy.

NAP is a federally funded program that provides financial assistance to producers of non-insurable crops when low yields, loss of inventory, or prevented planting occurs as a result of natural disasters. NAP also provides coverage for crops for which the catastrophic level of insurance is not available.

It is \$100 per crop, not to exceed \$300 per producer, per county, or not to exceed \$900 for a multi-county producer. **December 1, 2006 is the final day to sign up perennial crops for 2007 NAP coverage.**

Just like filing a claim, producers who have a NAP contract on file with this office need to file a **NOTICE OF LOSS** when it becomes apparent that a covered crop or pasture has been damaged by drought, frost, insects, etc. This **NOTICE OF LOSS** should be filed within **15 days** of when the damage is apparent—no matter how significant the loss may seem at the time. Producers also need to notify our office if you intend to graze a crop instead of harvest it.

IMPORTANT: We recently sent out letters to all of our producers who were enrolled in this program last year. If you are interested in signing up for 2007, please sign and date the paper that we sent to you and submit your check make payable to CCC and send back in the return envelope that we provided you. This will save you a trip to the office. If you have any questions at all, please give us a call.



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