

**RILEY & GEARY
COUNTIES FSA
NEWS**



May, 2006

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8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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**Direct
& Counter-
Cyclical
Program**

Signup for enrollment in the 2006 Direct and Counter Cyclical Program (DCP) is underway and will continue through **June 1, 2006**. To avoid late filing fees, producers must enroll their farms by this date. Contracts received after June 1, 2006 will be considered late filed and will be charged \$100 per farm to enroll. Once enrolled, producers have the option of receiving 40% (effective 2/9/06) of their direct payments. The final direct payment will be

made in October 2006. Advance counter-cyclical payments may also be requested.

DCP program provisions **ALSO** require that all cropland acres on the farm be reported to be eligible to receive payments. This means that all small grains, feed grains, CRP, hay and fruits and vegetables must be reported by the crops applicable deadline. The small grains reporting deadline is **May 31, 2006**. The deadline for all other crops is **August 1, 2006**. The only exception is if the crop is covered by a Non-insured Assistance Program (NAP) policy. Crops covered by NAP must be reported 15 calendar days before the onset of harvest.

Final Dates for Loans & LDPs

CCC grain loans and Loan Deficiency Payments (LDPs) are still available for a limited time for 2005 grain. Deadlines for making applications differ by commodity. For wheat, oats, and barley the final date was March 31, 2006. For corn, grain sorghum and soybeans the deadline is **May 31, 2006**.



Reconstitution Deadline



To be effective for 2005, farm combination and divisions must be requested by **August 1, 2006**. A request for a reconstitution made after 2005 DCP payments have been made shall be processed for fiscal year 2006 unless all payments received are refunded.

RECORD CHANGES – If you have bought, sold, or are renting different land, make sure you report the changes as soon as possible after they occur. For farm ownership changes you will need to provide a recorded deed or land contract. Failure to maintain accurate records with FSA on all land you have an interest in could lead to possible ineligibility for USDA benefits.

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Special

Accommodations will be made, upon request, for individuals with disabilities, vision impairment, or hearing impairment.



If special accommodations are required, please call your local FSA office and they will be happy to make any arrangements that are needed.

Never EZer!

Last August, the Farm Service Agency announced the launch of the CCC-633 EZ to replace the old CCC-709 and CCC-633-LDP. The EZ form is a two-part form that allows producers to (1) indicate their intentions to take an LDP before losing beneficial interest in the eligible commodity, and (2) submit a request for an LDP at any time during the loan availability period. The EZ form was developed to cover field direct LDPs, basic LDPs as well as wool, mohair, and unshorn pelts. Once the first page is filed, a producer can request an LDP by completing Page 2 for harvested commodities or Page 4 for wool, mohair and unshorn pelts. A key point to remember is that page 1 of EZ form must be signed by the producer before beneficial interest is lost. All producers are encouraged to submit page 1 each crop year whether or not they plan to request a loan or LDP.

Mark Your Calendar

- May 29** Memorial Day Office Closed
- May 31** Final Loan/LDP availability date for 2005 corn, soybeans, grain sorghum, and sunflowers
- May 31** Acreage reporting deadline for wheat, oats, and barley
- June 1** Final date to enroll in 2006 Direct & Counter- Cyclical Program

Farm Storage Facility Loans

Seven-year Farm Storage Facility Loans are available to purchase and install eligible storage facilities, to permanently affix drying or handling equipment, safety equipment or to remodel existing facilities. Real estate liens are required for loans that exceed \$50,000. Loans are secured with a promissory note and security agreement. The maximum amount that may be borrowed is 85% of the net cost, up to \$100,000 for each borrower. A 15% down payment is also required. For more information on eligibility contact your local county office.



Doing FSA Business On-line

Producers can obtain an eAuthentication level 2 account and conduct FSA business on-line 24 hours a day, 7 days a week from home. This access requires filling out an online registration form at <http://www.eauth.egov.usda.gov>, followed by a visit to a USDA Service Center for identity verification. You must have an e-mail address.