

**SUMNER  
COUNTY FSA  
NEWS**



**JULY 2006**

**Lance H. Thompson, CED**

**Office Hours**

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

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**Meet 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the  
month @ 9:00 a.m.**

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***Acreage Reporting Deadline Approaches***

The 2002 Farm Bill requires all cropland on the program farm to be reported as condition for receiving payments under the Direct and Counter Cyclical Program (DCP), Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP), Conservation Reserve Program (CRP), as well as loan deficiency payments (LDP's), and marketing assistance loans.

**The final day to report corn, milo, soybeans, sunflowers, and cotton and silage/hay crops is August 1.** This also includes any double cropping of these crops that you need to report. Please call the Sumner County FSA office to make your appointment to certify all acreages on your farm.

***COC Election***

FSA is accepting nominations until August 1<sup>st</sup> for candidates who are eligible to serve on the local committee. Almost anyone participating or cooperating in an FSA program, who is of legal voting age and lives in the county's local administrative area, where the election is being held is eligible to be nominated. **This year's election covers the following townships: Illinois, London, Sumner, Seventy Six, Osborn, Wellington, Downs, Jackson, Falls and South Haven.**

***New County Executive Director***

Lance Thompson has been selected as the new County Executive Director for Sumner County. Lance has been with the Kansas Farm Service Agency for a year and has received training in various parts of eastern and north central Kansas. Lance started as the CED for Sumner County on June 12, 2006. He graduated from the University of Missouri-Columbia with a degree in General Agriculture with an emphasis in animal science and agricultural economics.

***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.

***Visit our website at: [www.fsa.usda.gov](http://www.fsa.usda.gov)***

**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.



### Sumner County Loan Rates for 2006

Commodity	Price	Commodity	Price	Commodity	Price
Wheat	\$2.83/bu	Oats	\$1.34/bu	Sunflowers	\$8.85/cwt
Corn	\$2.13/bu	Grain Sorghum	\$3.47/cwt	Soybeans	\$4.95/bu

### Direct and Counter Cyclical Program (DCP)

Producers who miss the June 1 deadline to enroll in the Direct and Counter-Cyclical Program (DCP) for 2006 may still enroll a farm by paying a \$100 late-filing fee. The final date to enroll for program year 2006 is September 30<sup>th</sup>.

### 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 you 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.



**Mark Your Calendar**

- July 4** Independence Day Office Closed
- Aug 1** Final date to report spring crops
- Aug 1** Final date to request reconstitution for 2006
- Aug 1** Nominations end for COC Elections
- Sep 1** Purchase NAP policy for 2007 wheat
- Sep 4** Labor Day Holiday Office Closed

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