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Tillamook/Clatsop FSA Updates

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Tillamook/Clatsop County FSA Office

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County Committee (COC)

Lynda Nearing, Chair

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Farm Service Agency (FSA) Office Schedule

Tuesday, June 5, 2012 office staff will be in the Tillamook Service Center at 8:45 am - 3:30 pm. Feel free to drop forms by, or complete your 2012 acreage reports.

2011 Acreage Reports

Growers that planted corn silage in 2011 were emailed forms over a month ago and very few of them have been returned to the Washington County Service Center. Producers are encouraged to file these form(s) in anticipation of being able to prove base in the future. It is critical that our department has them recorded in our system; the mailing address is the Washington County FSA Office, 1080 SW Baseline, Suite B-3, Hillsboro, OR, 97123-3823.

2012 Acreage Reports

As a reminder, **June 30, 2012 is the deadline** to file your 2012 Acreage Report. Acreage reports are required for participation in many FSA programs as well as crop insurance programs. In order to complete your acreage report, we will need to know the crop, crop type, intended use, planting date, and shares.

For information purposes, 2012 Acreage Reports filed after the June 30 deadline will be **assessed a late file fee**.

To make an appointment to report your acres, contact Dennis Cooper at dennis.cooper@usda.gov, or, call the office for an appointment at 503-648-3174 X 2

MILC Program Duration

The Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 (Pub. L. 110-246) authorizes the program through September 30, 2012. At this

time we do not know whether this program is extended or re-authorized beyond September 30, 2012.

County FSA Committee (COC) Election

June 15 through August 1, 2012, is the period for nominating farmers and ranchers as candidates for the local COC election. FSA encourages all eligible producers to nominate themselves or another eligible producer, to run for office. Nomination forms (FSA-669-A's) are available:

- at <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/elections>, and scroll down to the links under "Election Materials" and CLICK "**2012 Nomination Form**"
- by picking up FSA-669A at your local FSA office
- by calling your local office and requesting FSA-669A be sent to you.

Those producers in the area up for election will receive a postcard by mail for this same information.

Highly Erodible Land (HEL) and Wetland Conservation Compliance

Landowners and operators are reminded that in order to receive payments from USDA, compliance with Highly Erodible Land (HEL) and Wetland Conservation (WC) provisions are required. Farmers with HEL determined soils are reminded of tillage, crop residue, and rotation requirements as specified per their conservation plan.

Producers are to notify the USDA Farm Service Agency prior to conducting land clearing or drainage projects to insure compliance. Failure to obtain advance approval for any of these situations can result in the loss of eligibility and all Federal payments.

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