

# FARM SERVICE AGENCY

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### Milk Income Loss Contract (MILC) Program

Well, most everyone that is eligible for the MILC Program has signed up and I hope received a payment by now. Listed below are the monthly payment rates per hundred pounds of milk. This information can be found at <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/daftp/psd/milc.htm>

December 2005	\$0.0408	March 2006	\$0.4080	June 2006	\$0.9996
January 2006	\$0.1054	April 2006	\$0.8398		
February 2006	\$0.1054	May 2006	\$0.9248		

MILC Payments occur in months when the price of Class I milk in Boston under the Northeast Milk Marketing Order falls below \$16.94 per cwt. Payment rates are 34 percent of the difference between \$16.94 and the Boston Class I price for that month. Dairy operations will not receive a payment for months during which the Class I price in Boston is \$16.94 or higher.

**BANKING INFORMATION** - If you change banks or your account number, be sure and let use know. Incorrect bank information **will delay your payment.**

**FARM LOANS AVAILABLE** - Loan applications are being accepted for farm operating and ownership purposes from those having difficulty obtaining credit through commercial lenders.

Operating loans include annual operating expenses, farm equipment, livestock purchases, feed and refinancing related debt.

Ownership loans include the purchase or enlargement of a farm, or the construction and/or repair of buildings (EQIP). A minimum qualification for farm ownership loans is 3 years involvement in the business operations of a farm.

Loan guarantees are available to lenders where FSA provides up to a 90% guarantee of loss on the principal of a farm loan. The loan purposes are similar to direct loans, except refinancing real estate debt is also eligible.

FSA provides direct and guarantee loan assistance for beginning farmers as well. An applicant is considered a beginning farmer if they have not operated a farm for more than 10 years.

Youth loans are available for 4-H and FFA members' ages 10 through 20 who want to start an income producing enterprise recommended by their leader.

**ELECTIONS** – The Tillamook-Clatsop County Farm Service Agency (FSA) will soon begin accepting nomination forms for eligible candidates to serve on the county committee. The nomination period is from June 15<sup>th</sup> to August 1<sup>st</sup>. The Local Administrative Area (LAA) open for election this year is LLA 2, the North half of Tillamook County, from the Trask River to the Clatsop County line.

FSA County Committees have a vital role in the decision-making for commodity price support loans and payments, conservation and disaster programs and other important agricultural issues in the local farming community.

Almost anyone participating or cooperating in local FSA programs and of legal voting age may be a candidate. Individuals may nominate themselves or others. To hold office as an FSA County Committee member, a person must meet the basic eligibility requirements described below:

- Participate or cooperate in a program administered by FSA.
- Be eligible to vote in a county committee election.
- Reside in the LAA in which the person is a candidate.

All nomination forms must be received in the County FSA Office or postmarked by August 1<sup>st</sup>. Voting will take place between November 3<sup>rd</sup> and December 4<sup>th</sup>.

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