

For: State and County Offices

**Providing Notification of 2008 COC Election Nominations Received**

Approved by: Acting Deputy Administrator, Field Operations



**1 Overview**

**A Background**

Published in 2002, the Uniform Guidelines for Conducting Farm Service Agency County Committee Elections:

- requires fair representation of socially disadvantaged (SDA) producers, such producers being defined in the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 2003(e)), Section 355(e)
- gives the Secretary the right to nominate up to 2 individuals for the slate of COC in the event that no FSA-669A's were filed for that COC's election.

**B Purpose**

This notice provides guidance to State and County Offices on notifying the National Office of County Offices that received **no** valid FSA-669A's for the 2008 COC Election. This applies to **all** FSA County Offices, although the information required differs for targeted and nontargeted offices.

Targeted counties were identified using 2002 Census of Agriculture data based on minority operator statistics for each county in the nation.

**Note:** The results of the 2007 Census of Agriculture are not available at this time.

A report on nomination activity will be provided to the Secretary so a determination can be made about Secretarial nomination in those counties that received no FSA-669A's or no minority FSA-669A's.

<b>Disposal Date</b>	<b>Distribution</b>
October 1, 2008	State Offices; State Offices relay to County Offices

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**C Contacts**

If there are questions about this notice, contact the following.

<b>IF located in a...</b>	<b>THEN contact...</b>
County Office	State Office.
State Office	either of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Deborah Johnson, DAFO at 202-720-0067</li><li>• Ken Nagel, DAFO at 202-720-7890.</li></ul>

**2 County Office Action**

**A FSA-669A Deadline**

The deadline for all FSA-669A's is **COB August 1, 2008**. Nomination reports shall be e-mailed to the State Office by **COB August 6, 2008**. **Negative reports are required.**

**B Nontargeted County Offices**

Nontargeted County Offices shall notify the State Office by **COB August 6, 2008**, if no FSA-669A's were received for the 2008 COC election.

**C Targeted County Offices**

Using Exhibit 2, targeted County Offices are required to notify the State Office if no:

- FSA-669A's were received
- minority FSA-669A's were received.

If no minority FSA-669A's were received, also provide the following, if applicable:

- COC that received no SDA FSA-669A's has a minority member whose term carries over into the next calendar year
- LAA that did not get a monority FSA-669A does not have the majority of minority producers in the county or jurisdiction.

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### 3 State Office Action

#### A Action

State Offices shall:

- ensure each County Office submits a report

**Note: Negative reports are required.**

- compile the results from all targeted counties in the State on Exhibit 2 into 1 spreadsheet

**Note:** Only those counties reporting no FSA-669A's or no minority FSA-669A's received shall be listed on Exhibit 2.

- send nontargeted and targeted county FSA-669A results in 1 e-mail to **deborah.johnson@wdc.usda.gov** by **COB August 12, 2008**.

**Note:** The nontargeted county results shall be in the body of the e-mail, and the targeted county results shall be recorded on Exhibit 2 and sent as an attachment to the e-mail.

Negative reports are required from States where all County Offices received at least one FSA-669A.

**Targeted County Offices**

The following are targeted County Offices for the 2008 election. In multiple county jurisdictions, the counties that are targeted are in **bold**.

State	Targeted County
Alabama	Autauga
	Butler
	Conecuh
	<b>Dallas/Lowndes</b>
	<b>Elmore/Montgomery</b>
	<b>Greene/Sumter</b>
	Hale
	Lawrence
	<b>Russell/Macon</b>
	<b>Marengo/Choctaw</b>
	Monroe
	<b>Perry/Bibb</b>
	<b>Pike/Bullock</b>
	Russell
	Wilcox
Arizona	Apache
	Cochise
	<b>Coconino/Mohave</b>
	<b>Graham/Greenlee</b>
	<b>Navajo/Gila</b>
	<b>Pima/Santa Cruz</b>
	Pinal
	<b>Yuma/La Paz</b>
Arkansas	Chicot
	Crittendon
	Dallas
	Desha
	Drew
	Hempstead
	Jefferson
	Lee
	Lincoln
	Little River
	Monroe
	Phillips
	Pulaski
St. Francis	

Targeted County Offices (Continued)

State	Targeted County
California	Butte
	Colusa
	Douglas (NV)/Alpine/ <b>Inyo</b> /Mono/Carson City (NV)
	Fresno
	Glenn
	Imperial
	Kern
	Kings
	<b>Los Angeles</b> /Orange/San Bernardino
	Madera
	<b>Merced/Mariposa</b>
	<b>Monterey/San Mateo/Santa Cruz</b>
	<b>Riverside/San Diego</b>
	<b>Sacramento</b> /Amador/El Dorado/ <b>Placer</b>
	<b>San Benito/Santa Clara</b>
	<b>San Joaquin/Calaveras/Contra Costa/Alameda</b>
	San Luis Obispo
	<b>Santa Barbara/Ventura</b>
	Shasta/ <b>Trinity</b>
	<b>Solano/Napa</b>
<b>Stanislaus/Tuolumne</b>	
<b>Sutter/Nevada/Yuba</b>	
Tehama	
Tulare	
Yolo	
Colorado	Alamosa
	Conejos
	Costilla
	Fremont/Chaffee/Custer/ <b>Lake</b>
	<b>La Plata/Archuleta</b>
	<b>Las Animas/Huerfano</b>
	<b>Otero/Crowley</b>
	<b>Rio Grand/Hinsdale/Mineral</b>
	Saguache
Florida	<b>Alachua</b> /Bradford
	<b>Columbia</b> /Union
	<b>Dade/Monroe</b>
	Escambia
	Gadsden

Targeted County Offices (Continued)

State	Targeted County
Florida (Continued)	Hardee/DeSoto/Manatee/ <b>Sarasota</b>
	Hendrey/ <b>Collier</b> /Glades
	<b>Hillsborough</b> /Pinellas
	Jackson
	<b>Jefferson/Leon/Wakulla</b>
	<b>Lake/Orange</b>
	Madison
	Marion
	<b>Palm Beach/Broward</b>
	<b>Pasco</b> /Hernando
	<b>Sumter</b> /Citrus
Georgia	Baker
	Ben Hill
	Bleckley/ <b>Pulaski/Twiggs</b>
	Brooks
	Burke
	<b>Calhoun/Dougherty</b>
	Decatur
	Dooly
	Early
	Effingham/ <b>Bryan/Chatham</b>
	Houston
	<b>Jefferson</b> /Glascock
	<b>Laurens</b> /Wilkinson
	Lee
	<b>Lowndes</b> /Clinch/Echols/Lanier
	Macon
	<b>Marion</b> /Chattahoochee/Harris/ <b>Muscogee</b> /Talbot
	McDuffie/Columbia/ <b>Richmond</b> /Warren
	Mitchell
	Montgomery/ <b>Treutlen</b>
	Morgan/ <b>Greene</b>
	Oconee/Barrow/ <b>Clarke</b>
	<b>Peach</b> /Bibb/ <b>Crawford</b>
	Pulaski
	<b>Putnam</b> /Baldwin/Jones
	Seminole
	<b>Sumter</b> /Schley
	Walton/ <b>De Kalb</b> /Gwinnett/Rockdale
	Washington/ <b>Hancock</b> /Johnson
	Wayne/ <b>Camden</b> / <b>Glynn</b> / <b>Liberty</b> /Long/McIntosh
	<b>Webster</b> /Stewart
	Wilkes/Lincoln/ <b>Taliaferro</b>

Targeted County Offices (Continued)

State	Targeted County
Hawaii	Hawaii
	Honolulu
	Kauai
	Maui
Idaho	<b>Gooding</b> /Camas
	Minidoka
Kentucky	Morgan/Floyd/Johnson/Magoffin/ <b>Martin</b> /Pike/Wolfe
Louisiana	Allen
	Bossier
	Caddo
	DeSoto
	East Carroll
	<b>East Feliciana</b> / <b>West Feliciana</b>
	Franklin
	Grant
	Iberia
	Livingston/ <b>East Baton Rouge</b>
	<b>Natchitoches</b> /Sabine/ <b>Winn</b>
	Red River
	St John/Jefferson/ <b>Orleans</b> / <b>Plaquemines</b> / <b>St Bernard</b>
	St Landry
	St Martin
	Tangipahoa/ <b>St Helena</b>
Tensas	
<b>Washington</b> /St. Tammany	
<b>West Baton Rouge</b> /Iberville	
Maryland	<b>Prince George's</b> /Anne Arundel
Michigan	Ogemaw/Crawford/ <b>Oscoda</b> /RoscommonOscoda
	Washtenaw/ <b>Wayne</b>
Mississippi	Adams
	<b>Amite</b> / <b>Wilkinson</b>
	Attala
	Benton
	Bolivar
	Carroll
	Chickasaw
	Choctaw
	<b>Claiborne</b> / <b>Jefferson</b>
	Clarke
	Clay

Targeted County Offices (Continued)

State	Targeted County
Mississippi (Continued)	Coahoma
	Copiah
	Covington
	Grenada
	Hinds
	Holmes
	Humphreys
	Jasper
	Jefferson Davis
	Kemper
	Lafayette
	Lauderdale
	Lawrence
	LeFlore
	Lincoln/ <b>Franklin</b>
	Lowndes
	Madison
	Marion
	Marshall
	Monroe
	Montgomery
	Noxubee
	Oktibbeha
	Panola
	Pike
	Quitman
	Rankin
	Sharkey/ <b>Issaquena</b>
	Simpson
	Sunflower
	Tate
	Tunica
	Walthall
Warren	
Washington	
Wayne/ <b>Green</b>	
Winston	
Yalobusha	
Yazoo	

Targeted County Offices (Continued)

State	Targeted County
Montana	Big Horn
	Blaine
	Glacier
	Lake
	Roosevelt
	Rosebud
Nebraska	Thurston
Nevada	Churchill/NW Nye/Storey/Washoe
	<b>Elko/Eureka</b>
	Lyon/Esmeralda/ <b>Mineral</b>
	Pershing
New Mexico	Bernalillo/Sandoval
	Socorro/Catron
	Chaves
	Colfax
	De Baca
	Dona Ana
	Eddy
	Guadalupe
	Harding
	Hidalgo
	<b>Luna/Grant</b>
	McKinley
	<b>Otero/Lincoln</b>
	Quay
	Rio Arriba
	San Juan
	<b>San Miguel/Mora</b>
	Santa Fe
	Sierra
	Taos
Torrance	
<b>Valencia/Bernalillo/Cibola/Sandoval</b>	
New York	Dutchess/Putnam/Ulster/ <b>Weschester</b>
North Carolina	<b>Beaufort/Hyde</b>
	Bertie
	Bladen
	Brunswick
	Caswell
	Chowan
	Columbus

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State	Targeted County
North Carolina (Continued)	Duplin
	Edgecombe
	Granville
	Halifax
	Hertford
	Hoke
	Jones
	Martin
	Northampton
	Orange/ <b>Durham</b>
	Pamlico
	<b>Pasquotank</b> /Camden/Currituck
	Person
	<b>Robeson/Scotland</b>
	Samson
	<b>Swain</b> /Jackson
	Vance
Warren	
North Dakota	Rolette
	Sioux
Oklahoma	<b>Atoka/Coal</b>
	Bryan
	<b>Cherokee/Adair/Sequoyah</b>
	<b>Choctaw/ Pushmataha</b>
	Craig
	Garvin/ <b>Murray</b>
	Hughes
	Johnston
	<b>LeFlore/Haskell</b>
	Logan/ <b>Oklahoma</b>
	Love/ <b>Carter</b>
	Mayes
	McCurtain
	Muskogee
	<b>Nowata/Washington</b>
	Okfuskee
	Okmulgee
	Osage
	<b>Ottawa/Delaware</b>

Targeted County Offices (Continued)

State	Targeted County
Oklahoma (Continued)	<b>Pittsburg/Latimer/McIntosh</b>
	<b>Rogers/Tulsa</b>
	Wagoner
Oregon	Malheur
	<b>Wasco/Hood River</b>
South Carolina	<b>Abbeville/Greenwood/McCormick</b>
	Aiken
	Allendale
	Bamberg
	Barnwell
	<b>Calhoun/Richland</b>
	<b>Charleston/Berkeley</b>
	<b>Chester/Fairfield</b>
	Clarendon
	Colleton
	Darlington
	Dorchester
	Edgefield
	Florence
	Georgetown
	Hampton
	<b>Jasper/Beaufort</b>
	Lee
	Marion
	Marlboro
Orangeburg	
Sumter	
Williamsburg	
South Dakota	<b>Bennett/Shannon</b>
	<b>Brule/Buffalo</b>
	Dewey
	Jackson
	<b>Mellette/Todd</b>
	Ziebach
Tennessee	Fayette
	Haywood
Texas	Anderson
	Atascosa
	Bee
	Bexar

Targeted County Offices (Continued)

State	Targeted County
Texas (Continued)	<b>Brazoria/Galveston</b>
	Brazos/Grimes/Walker
	Brewster/Presidio/Jeff Davis
	<b>Brooks/Jim Hogg</b>
	Burleson
	<b>Caldwell/Comal/Hays</b>
	Cameron
	<b>Cass/Marion</b>
	<b>Dimmit/Zavala</b>
	Duval
	<b>El Paso/Culberson/Hudspeth</b>
	Fort Bend
	<b>Frio/LaSalle</b>
	Goliad
	Guadalupe
	<b>Harris/Montgomery</b>
	Harrison
	Hidalgo
	<b>Houston/Leon/Madison</b>
	<b>Jasper/Newton/Tyler</b>
	Jefferson/Orange
	Jim Wells
	Karnes
	Kaufman/Dallas/Rockwall
	<b>Kleberg/Kenedy</b>
	<b>Liberty/Hardin/Chambers</b>
	<b>Limestone/Freestone</b>
	<b>Live Oak/McMullen</b>
	Matagorda
	Medina
	Midland
	Mitchell
	Nueces
	<b>Pecos/Terrell</b>
	<b>Polk/San Jacinto</b>
	Reagan/Upton/Irion/Crockett
<b>Reeves/Loving</b>	

Targeted County Offices (Continued)

State	Targeted County
Texas (Continued)	Refugio/ <b>Goliad</b>
	Robertson
	Rusk
	<b>San Patricio</b> /Aransas
	Schleicher/ <b>Sutton/Val Verde</b>
	Smith
	<b>Starr/Zapata</b>
	Titus/Camp/Franklin/ <b>Morris</b>
	Travis
	Upshur/ <b>Gregg</b>
	Uvalde/Kinney/ <b>Maverick/Real</b>
	Victoria
	Waller
	Webb
	Wharton
	Willacy
Wilson	
Virginia	<b>Accomack/Northampton</b>
	Brunswick
	<b>Charlotte/Lunenburg City</b>
	Chesapeake/ <b>Virginia Beach</b>
	<b>Dinwiddie</b> /Petersburg City
	<b>Essex/King &amp; Queen/King William</b>
	Gloucester/ <b>Mathews/Middlesex</b>
	<b>Greensville</b> /Emporia City
	Halifax
	Isle of Wight/ <b>Surry</b>
	Louisa//Albemarle,CharlottesvilleCity/ <b>Fluvanna</b> /Goochland/Nelson
	Lunenburg
	Mecklenberg
	New Kent/ <b>Charles City</b>
	<b>Prince Edward/Nottoway</b>
	Richmond/Lancaster/ <b>Westmoreland</b> /Northumberland
Southampton	
Washington	Ferry
	Yakima
Wisconsin	Shawano/ <b>Menominee</b>
Wyoming	Fremont
	Uinta

