

**For:** State and County Offices

**Loading 2013 FSA-578 for Inventory Crops in the Crop Acreage Reporting System (CARS)**

**Approved by:** Deputy Administrator, Farm Programs



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**1 Overview**

**A Background**

Notices CP-685 and CP-687 provided that 2013 CARS software was modified to restrict inventory crops from being loaded in the automated system. State and County Offices were instructed to record 2013 nonacre-based commodity reports on the manual FSA-578 until Go-Live of MIDAS Inventory Reporting. The following inventory crops were restricted from being loaded in 2013 CARS:

- crustacean
- finfish
- honey
- maple sap
- mollusk
- mushrooms
- nursery (container)
- nursery (edible container).

Because of the delay of MIDAS Inventory Reporting and the need for the 2013 NAP application to be able to read FSA-578 inventory crop data, 2013 CARS software will now allow inventory crops to be loaded in the automated system.

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<b>Disposal Date</b>	<b>Distribution</b>
September 1, 2013	State Offices; State Offices relay to County Offices

## Notice CP-692

### 1 Overview (Continued)

#### B Purpose

This notice informs State and County Offices that:

- 2013 CARS has been modified to allow inventory crops to be loaded in the automated system
- all 2013 nonacre-based commodity/inventory crops taken on the manual FSA-578 shall be loaded in 2013 CARS
- 2013 NAP applications can now be taken for inventory crops loaded in 2013 CARS.

### 2 Action

#### A State Office Action

State Offices shall:

- ensure that County Offices are immediately notified of the contents of this notice
- contact Jantrice Williams by either of the following for questions about this notice:
  - e-mail at [jantrice.williams@wdc.usda.gov](mailto:jantrice.williams@wdc.usda.gov)
  - telephone at 202-720-3637.

#### B County Office Action

County Offices shall:

- load **all** manual 2013 FSA-578's for inventory crops in 2013 CARS
- attach the manual 2013 FSA-578, signed and dated by the producer, to the 2013 FSA-578 printed from CARS to validate and ensure certification of the manual FSA-578.