UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Farm Service Agency Washington, DC 20250

For: State and County Offices

Hemp Acreage Reporting Course

Approved by: Acting Deputy Administrator, Farm Programs

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1 Overview

A Background

An acreage reporting course specific to hemp has been developed as an intra-agency effort between AMS's Domestic Hemp Production Program and FSA. The course is designed to provide hemp producers, sampling agents, lab staff, FSA agents, and other stakeholders with an understanding of the importance of crop acreage reporting requirements.

County Office employees in States that had hemp acreage reported in 2023 are required to complete this course by December 31, 2023.

B Purpose

This notice provides instructions on registering for the online hemp course provided by AMS.

C Contact Information

For questions about this notice, contact either of the following:

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A State Office Action

State Offices will ensure that County Offices are immediately informed of the contents of this notice.

B County Office Action

County Offices where hemp acreage was reported in 2023 are required to take the hemp course.

Note: All other County Offices are encouraged to take the hemp course.

The following table provides the steps for accessing the hemp course.

Step	Action
1	To create an account, access the Registration page at
	https://usda.geniussis.com/PublicStudentSignUp.aspx?AffiliateID=RG9QQ5.
2	If the employee already has an account, log in to the Hemp eLearning Platform
	(HeLP) page at
	https://usda.geniussis.com/PublicWelcome.aspx?AffiliateID=RG9QQ5.
3	Instructions on how to enroll in HeLP courses in the Blackboard Learning
	Management System can be accessed at https://www.ams.usda.gov/rules-
	regulations/hemp/hemp-learning-platform.