

For: State and County Offices

Administration of CRP

Approved by: Acting Deputy Administrator, Farm Programs



1 Overview

A Background

On May 2, 2008, the President signed a bill providing for, among other things, a continuation of CRP authority through May 16, 2008. Sufficient funding has also been provided.

B Purpose

This notice:

- provides policy about:
 - continuing all authorized CRP activities through May 16, 2008
 - continuing certain CRP activities after May 16, 2008
 - suspending CRP contract approvals for all signup types effective May 17, 2008
- obsoletes Notice CRP-590.

2 General Policy

A CRP Administration Through May 16, 2008

State and County Offices shall implement CRP, including continuous signup, CREP, FWP, and initiatives according to applicable policy and directives through May 16, 2008.

Disposal Date	Distribution
July 1, 2008	State Offices; State Offices relay to County Offices and NRCS State Offices

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2 General Policy (Continued)

B CRP Administration Effective May 17, 2008

Effective May 17, 2008, FSA shall:

- not **approve** any CRP contracts for any signup types
- continue to pay all SIP, PIP, and cost-share payments for contracts approved before May 17, 2008.

Note: For CRP-1's approved **before** May 17, 2008, payments are authorized consistent with procedure in 2-CRP and applicable notices.

C Suspending Contract Approvals Effective May 17, 2008

Effective May 17, 2008, authority is suspended for approval of any contracts or new obligations for contracts approved before May 17, 2008.

3 Action

A County Office Action

County Offices shall read and follow the provisions of this notice.

B State Office Action

State Offices shall ensure that County Offices follow instructions in this notice.