

For: State Offices

Revised Deadlines for Soil Rental Rate (SRR) Review

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1 Deadlines for SRR Review

A Background

SRR's are the basis for calculating maximum payment rates provided to producers annually for each acre enrolled in CRP. SRR's **must** be regularly reviewed, and updated, as necessary to ensure that SRR's reflect current dryland agricultural cash rents.

Notice CRP-596 provided deadlines for each phase of the SRR review process. Phase I, Updating LVS, of the 2008 rental rate review has been completed. This notice provides new deadlines for Phase II, 2008 County Average Rental Rate Review and Update, and Phase III, Soil Specific Rental Rate Update, of the 2008 SRR review process.

B Listing of Proposed 2008 County-Average SRR's

Proposed 2008 county-average SRR's:

- assist State Offices in reviewing and adjusting county SRR's, if necessary
- are currently available at http://dc.ffasintranet.usda.gov/DAFP/SRR_Reports_xls/2008ProposedSRRs.xls, under item "25. Proposed County-Average 2008 Soil Rental Rates" and provide a listing of the following for each county:

- current acreage-weighted county average SRR

Note: The weight given to each cropland soil is determined by its total acreage in the county. An acreage-weighted average is provided only where data is available for the acreage of each soil map unit symbol in the county.

- 2007 land value survey (LVS) reported rental rate
- 2008 LVS reported rental rate
- proposed 2008 acreage-weighted county average SRR
- percent change between the current SRR and proposed SRR.

Disposal Date	Distribution
November 1, 2008	State Offices

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C State Office Action

For Phase II, 2008 County Average Rental Rate Review and Update, State Offices shall review the proposed county-average 2008 SRR's and submit to Rich Iovanna by e-mail at rich.iovanna@wdc.usda.gov by **COB September 12, 2008**, either of the following:

- any information previously unavailable/unknown that could, at the National Office's discretion, lead to further SRR adjustments

Note: Any suggested changes to SRR's shall include the appropriate supporting documentation and justification, such as published locally available cash market rent data sources, copies of lease agreements, and/or SRPG reports.

- negative response if the State Office concurs with the proposed county-average SRR's.

Note: Negative responses are required.

D 2008 Soil-Specific SRR's

The 2008 soil-specific SRR's outlined in Notice CRP-596, paragraph 4 will be posted on the CRP Soils Data Management System by **COB September 19, 2008**, at <https://indianocean.sc.egov.usda.gov/soilDbMgnt/SoilWelcome.do>.