

For: State and County Offices

Cost-Share System (CSS) for CRP Applications

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1 Overview

A Background

CRP cost-share is being moved from CRES to the new web-based CSS. The new CSS will be used for all new CRP cost-share applications.

B Purpose

This notice provides the following:

- training information
- software availability and dates
- instructions to begin using CSS.

2 Training Information and Availability Dates

A Training Information

National training was provided for CSS on April 16, 2013. CSS training slides are available on the CEPD SharePoint web site at

<https://fsa.sc.egov.usda.gov/states/cepd/userguides/default.aspx>

Note: The User Guide is available now as is. A revision is forthcoming.

B Availability

CSS became available on **May 10, 2013**, on the FSA Intranet Applications page at

http://intranet.fsa.usda.gov/fsa/FSAIntranet_applications.html

Disposal Date	Distribution
October 1, 2013	State Offices; State Offices relay to County Offices

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3 Forms

A Overview

Beginning May 10, 2013, CRES will no longer allow new CRP cost-share requests or new CRP cost-share approvals. **After May 9, 2013**, CSS shall be used to process **all new** CRP cost-share applications, agreements, performance certifications, and payments.

The following forms will replace the existing AD-245 and AD-862:

- FSA-848 (Application)
- FSA-848A (Agreements)
- FSA-848B (Certifications and Payments).

B Existing AD-245's

For AD-245's currently maintained in CRES, guidance will be provided in a future notice.

4 Contacts

A State Offices

For policy and automation questions about this notice, State Offices shall contact the National Office.

B County Offices

County Offices shall contact the State Office for questions about this notice.