

For: State and County Offices

**Closeout of Livestock Assistance Program (LAP) Payments**

Approved by: Acting Deputy Administrator, Farm Programs



**1 Overview**

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**Background**

The Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2001 (the 2001 Act) provided that:

- LAP payments shall be issued to producers to compensate for grazing losses due to natural disasters in calendar year 2000
- payments must be issued no later than September 30, 2001.

Accordingly, County Offices will be restricted access to the 2000 LAP automated payment process after September 30, 2001. Access will also be restricted to the 1998 and 1999 LAP automated payment process after September 30, 2001.

**Important: There is no funding available for 2000 LAP payments after September 30, 2001. This is a statutory provision of the 2001 Act legislation that authorized 2000 LAP payments.**

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**Purpose**

This notice advises State and County Offices:

- that **ALL** LAP payments shall be issued to eligible producers by September 30, 2001
- to submit a list of outstanding LAP requests for relief, misaction/misinformation, and authorization codes that have been submitted to the National Office
- of the action that shall be taken to ensure that all LAP payments are issued to eligible producers.

<b>Disposal Date</b> October 1, 2001	<b>Distribution</b> State Offices; State Offices relay to County Offices
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### 2 Status of LAP Requests for Authorization Codes

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#### Requests for Relief and Misaction/Misinformation

PECD is in the process of reviewing and expediting responses on all LAP requests for relief and misaction/misinformation. If DAFP grants relief, authorization codes will be FAXed to the State Office.

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#### B

#### Authorization Codes

PECD, EPPB has processed all requests for LAP authorization codes that have been received to date.

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### 3 Action

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#### A

#### State Office Action

State Offices shall **immediately** take the following action.

- Forward LAP requests for relief and misaction/misinformation to DAFP.
  - Forward requests for LAP authorization codes to PECD, EPPB.
  - Review LAP cases submitted to the National Office for relief, misaction/misinformation, or authorization codes and FAX a list of outstanding cases to PECD, EPPB at 202-690-3610.
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#### B

#### County Office Action

County Offices shall **immediately** take the following action.

- Forward all cases involving requests for relief, misaction/misinformation, or authorization codes to the State Office.
  - Issue authorized payments as soon as the authorization codes are provided by the State Office.
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