

For: State and County Offices

**Signup Deadline for the 2003/2004/2005 Crop Disaster Program (CDP)**

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**1 CDP Signup Period**

**A Background**

5-DAP (Rev. 1) announced March 14, 2005, as the start of the national 2003/2004 CDP signup period as March 14, 2005.

Information Bulletin No. 3419 opened the automated application process for the 2005 CDP applications. Notice DAP-225 provided detailed CDP 2005 crop table instructions. See 5-DAP (Rev. 1), Exhibit 4 for counties approved for 2005 CDP benefits.

**B Purpose**

This notice announces the closing dates of the CDP application periods.

**2 CDP Applications**

**A Ending Application Date**

The end of the signup period for the:

- 2003/2004 CDP is **COB September 9, 2005**
- 2005 CDP is **COB December 16, 2005**.

**B Completed Applications**

The signup deadline applies to the receipt of a signed CCC-750 application in the FSA Office along with all supporting documentation and required forms.

See 5-DAP (Rev. 1), subparagraph 240 A for required disaster benefit forms.

<b>Disposal Date</b>	<b>Distribution</b>
March 1, 2006	State Offices; State Offices relay to County Offices

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### 3 2006 Farm and Subsidiary Rollover

#### A Impact of 2006 Rollover

On or about October 3, 2005, the 2006 rollover process will be initiated on the System/36, KC mainframe, and web applications for the following applications:

- SCIMS and name and address
- farm and tract maintenance
- eligibility
- combined producer maintenance
- payment limitation maintenance
- joint operation and entity maintenance.

Once rollover is completed, County Offices will no longer have the capability to add, update, or delete some 2003 data because the 2003 crop year will be removed from the system in order to enable options for recording 2006 data. The affected applications include:

- farm and tract maintenance
- combined producer maintenance
- payment limitation maintenance
- joint operation and entity maintenance.

#### B Action Required Before Rollover

The process to change the software to allow access to these files for more than 3 years is extremely complex and would require the dedication of resources currently involved in various software modernization efforts. Therefore, access to 2003 files after 2006 rollover is completed for the programs specified above is not an option.

As a result, County Offices must verify that applications and supporting documentation filed for 2003 CDP applications is recorded properly in the system prior to October 3, 2005. Failure to do so could result in FSA's inability to properly issue payments to producers. Since September is typically a heavy workload month due to end-of-year closeout on many programs, September 9 was determined as the CDP sign up deadline so that County Office are afforded sufficient time to:

- ensure that all data is recorded properly in the system for new producers for each applicable year
- update or delete existing data for producers that have filed revised documentation, such as AD-1026's and CCC-502's.

**Note:** With the implementation of the web-based eligibility system, County Offices continue to have access to all prior year eligibility records back to the 1999 crop year. Rollover does not affect updates to producer eligibility information.

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### 4 Action

#### A State and County Office Action

Immediately publicize the ending application signup date for the 2003/2004 and 2005 CDP through newsletters and other normal means to disseminate program information.

Continue to publicize the:

- availability of the 2005 CDP for producers in the eligible counties listed in 5-DAP (Rev. 1), Exhibit 4
- ending application date.

County Offices shall:

- ensure that all farm/tract and subsidiary file records are updated properly prior to 2006 rollover, especially for 2003 CDP applications
- take immediate action to resolve existing payment problems
- contact State Office for assistance, if necessary.

State Offices shall contact PECD, Common Provisions Branch, for assistance in resolving outstanding problems, if necessary.