

For: State and County Offices

**PFC and DCP Base Acreage Reduced Because of Enrollment in CRP**

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**1 Overview**

**A Background**

County Offices were previously instructed to review adjustments to DCP base acres because of CRP-1's that expired or were voluntarily terminated after May 12, 2002, and before October 1, 2007.

County Offices were instructed to load the acreage that was reduced on CCC-505 because of CRP enrollment into the Farm Records Management System (FRS), which was deployed in June 2006. That acreage will be tracked for potential use under a future DCP or other applicable program, if authorized under a new farm bill.

When reviewing files, County Offices reported finding several instances between 1996 and May 13, 2002, where CRP contracts expired and the acreage was re-enrolled into CRP. In certain cases, some or all of the CAB acreage protected on CRP-15 from the initial enrollment into CRP (1986 through 1995) was permanently reduced from the farm record and not recorded on CCC-505.

If only a portion of CAB's released from CRP-15, because of expiring a CRP contract (1996 through 2002), were able to be enrolled into a PFC contract, then CCC-505 was required to be prepared for CAB's that could not be enrolled into CRP. CCC-505's were not required to be recorded in cases where the entire acreage of a farm was re-enrolled into CRP and there was no room to place the released CRP-15 CAB acres on the farm. In those cases, CAB's released from CRP were not maintained by FSA and ceased to exist after the applicable date for enrolling the released CAB.

**B Purpose**

This notice provides authority to allow the recording of CAB's into FRS in certain situations.

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October 1, 2008	State Offices; State Offices relay to County Offices

## Notice DCP-183

### 1 Expand the Tracking of Reduced Base Acres

#### A Recording Acreage in FRS

Additional authority is provided for County Offices to record acreage in the 2008 “CCC-505 CRP REDN” field according to 3-CM, paragraphs 169 and 170 when **all** of the following apply:

- CAB’s were reduced on CRP-15’s
- CRP contract expired
- the producer re-enrolled part or all of the acreage in CRP
- the acreage may or may not have been recorded on CCC-505.

**Note:** Authority is also provided to place base acreage loaded into FRS onto the current farm with CRP acres, provided all other provisions are met. Previous instructions limited the CCC-505 reduction acres to be attributed to the same tract from which they were reduced.

#### B Acreage that Cannot be Added to FRS

The following cannot be added to FRS:

- acres that have previously been added to a farm record may **not** be added a second time
- CAB that was not enrolled in PFC because the producer chose not to enroll the acreage or there was not sufficient land to enroll the acreage.

**Note:** This may be applicable to CRP-15 acres that were released from expired contracts and:

- were not enrolled into PFC because of missing the enrollment deadline for released CRP-15 acres
- the expired CRP land was immediately moved to “non ag” use so the CRP-15 acres could not be saved.