

For: State and County Offices

Documenting Eligible Fungicide Purchases for the Durum Wheat Quality Program (DWQP)

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1 Overview

A Background

The Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 authorized DWQP to partially compensate producers for the cost of fungicides applied to durum wheat to control Fusarium head blight (FHB), commonly known as wheat scab.

To qualify for fungicide cost-share assistance, producers must:

- have used an eligible fungicide to control FHB on acres certified as planted to durum wheat
- file a completed DWQP application in the County Office during the application period announced by the Deputy Administrator
- provide the total number and location of acres planted to durum wheat to which an eligible fungicide was applied to control FHB
- provide dates when the fungicide was applied
- provide documentation of the actual cost of the eligible fungicides.

Fungicide cost-share assistance **not** to exceed 50 percent, under DWQP:

- is available for the applied fungicides
- does **not** include the cost of surfactants or application.

B Purpose

This notice provides State and County Offices with guidance on acceptable types of documentation for producers to prove purchases of eligible fungicides applied to durum wheat to control FHB.

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October 1, 2010 5-5-10	State Offices; State Offices relay to County Offices

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2 Documenting Purchases of Eligible Fungicide

A Compiling Eligible Fungicide Purchase Documentation

Durum wheat producers must provide verifiable documentation for having purchased eligible fungicides used to control FHB on 2010 durum wheat.

To be considered an eligible fungicide for DWQP, the fungicide must have been registered with EPA and be compliant with State pesticide regulations in the State in which benefits are being requested. Information on eligible pesticides in a State is available on State environmental web sites. EPA maintains State resource locators and contact information for pesticide State programs at www.epa.gov/pesticides/safety/applicators/statepro.htm.

Note: Producers shall be advised that fungicide purchase documentation will **not** be accepted by County Offices until DWQP applications are filed.

B Acceptable Fungicide Purchase Documentation

The following types of documentation are under consideration as acceptable proof of fungicide purchases:

- original commercial sales and purchase receipts for an eligible fungicide
- original invoices from licensed custom applicators that explicitly specify the cost of an eligible fungicide.

3 Action

A State Office Action

State Offices shall ensure that County Offices:

- are immediately informed of the contents of this notice
- immediately publicize the contents of this notice by all available means.

B County Office Action

All County Offices shall ensure that producers are notified by all available means about the types of documentation that are acceptable for documenting proof of purchase of an eligible fungicide applied to reduce the risk of FHB on durum wheat in 2010.