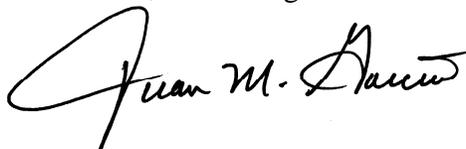


For: State and County Offices

**Conservation Cost Share System Payments Suspended**

Approved by: Acting Deputy Administrator, Farm Programs



**1 Overview**

**A Background**

ECP and EFRP are multi-year payment limitation programs. Currently, the 2012 payment limitation system is not set up to handle this type of payment. A software fix is expected to be released sometime after the CRP annual and DCP payments have been processed.

**B Purpose**

This notice informs State and County Offices to suspend all payment actions in the web-based Conservation Cost Share System for ECP and EFRP.

**C Issuing ECP and EFRP Cost Share Payment**

County Offices shall not record performance for any ECP or EFRP contracts at this time. ECP and EFRP payments can run successfully as soon as the new software has been released to production. The software is expected to be released by the end of October 2011.

State and County Offices will be notified as soon as the software is available. Payments attempted before the new software is available will fail.

Disposal Date	Distribution
February 1, 2012	State Offices; State Offices relay to County Offices and NRCS State Offices

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### **2 Action**

#### **A State Office Action**

State Offices shall ensure that County Offices understand the provisions of this notice.

#### **B County Office Action**

County Offices shall implement the provisions of this notice.

#### **C Contact**

For questions about this notice:

- County Offices shall contact the State Office
- State Offices shall contact Kimberly Wright, CEPD at 202-720-1659.