

For: State and County Offices

Canceling or Correcting WAMLAP-II and WAMLAP-III Payments

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1 Overview

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Background

The FY 2001 Agricultural Economic Assistance Act authorized WAMLAP-III payments. This Act also mandated that all WAMLAP-III funds be expended by COB September 30, 2001. For that reason, all automated price support system (APSS) options for the Wool and Mohair Market Loss Assistance Program (WAMLAP) were inhibited after COB September 30, 2001.

On September 17, 2001, County Offices began issuing WAMLAP-III batch payments to eligible producers who previously received WAMLAP-II payments.

Since inhibiting the software on September 30, 2001, PSD has received numerous requests from State and County Offices to cancel or correct WAMLAP-III payments.

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Purpose

This notice provides State and County Offices with policy authorization and APSS instructions for either of the following:

- canceling WAMLAP-II or WAMLAP-III payments
- correcting WAMLAP-II or WAMLAP-III payments to reduce the quantity.

Disposal Date	Distribution
September 1, 2002	State Offices; State Offices relay to County Offices

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2 Authorization to Process WAMLAP-II or WAMLAP-III Payment Changes

A Policy

County Offices are now authorized to either cancel or correct WAMLAP-II or WAMLAP-III payments according to APSS instructions provided in this notice.

Corrections for quantity are allowed **only** in cases where the quantity will be **reduced**.

County Offices are **not** authorized to:

- process any transactions for WAMLAP-I
- process any transactions not provided in this notice
- enter any WAMLAP applications that have **not** already been entered in APSS
- increase the quantity for WAMLAP-II or WAMLAP-III applications
- change shares for WAMLAP-II or WAMLAP-III applications.

Reminder: Any APSS correction to WAMLAP-II payments may require additional APSS correction to WAMLAP-III payments according to this notice.

3 APSS Instructions

A APSS

Access to any APSS options for WAMLAP processing is currently inhibited on Special Price Support Functions Menu PCA000.

County Offices, who wish to process either WAMLAP-II or WAMLAP-III changes according to this notice, **must**:

- call the **National Help Desk** for assistance at **1-800-255-2434**
 - advise the National Help Desk of the specific details of the condition to be processed.
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3 APSS Instructions (Continued)

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After APSS is “opened” by the National Help Desk, for either WAMLAP-II or WAMLAP-III, County Offices are authorized to:

- **cancel** payments using option 4, “Canceling Payables”, on Menu PWB000 for conditions where funds have:
 - **not** been sent to the producer and where **no** action other than cancel is necessary
 - been sent to the producer and a receivable for the full amount of the payment must be created in the Common Receivable System (CRS)
- **correct** a quantity using option 5, “Recording Overpayments/Underpayments”, on Menu PWB000 by **reducing** that **quantity** and creating a receivable for the overpayment amount in CRS

Reminder: Corrections to **increase** a quantity or change shares are **not** authorized.

- **change** the producer ID number for payments that have left the County Office, but were returned because the producer is deceased.

Important: Users shall request specific accounting instructions for processing changes for deceased producers from the National Help Desk.
