

For: State and County Offices

Completing the Payment Calculation Worksheet for 2008 and 2009 Emergency Assistance for Livestock, Honey Bees, and Farm-Raised Fish Program (ELAP) Payments

Approved by: Deputy Administrator, Farm Programs



1 Overview

A Background

Notice LDAP-24 announced that the National Office is preparing to issue 2008 and 2009 ELAP workbooks to State Offices so that 2008 and 2009 ELAP payment data can be uploaded to the National Office to determine a National payment factor, if applicable.

In addition to the instructions provided in Notice LDAP-24, County Offices must take the necessary action outlined in this notice to prepare for providing required ELAP documentation to State Offices.

Note: A forthcoming LDAP notice will outline the ELAP documentation that State Offices must collect from County Offices for completing 2008 and 2009 ELAP workbooks.

B Purpose

This notice:

- clarifies the amount of compensation livestock producers are eligible to receive under ELAP
- instructs County Offices to manually complete the FSA-918-1 spreadsheet, according to paragraph 3, for all completed and approved 2008 and 2009 FSA-918's in the county.

Disposal Date January 1, 2011	Distribution State Offices; State Offices relay to County Offices
5-12-10	Page 1

Notice LDAP-25

2 Eligible Livestock Losses

A 1-LDAP Amendment

1-LDAP, subparagraph 242 C has been amended to provide that:

- an eligible livestock producer **cannot** be compensated under ELAP for both a grazing loss and a loss resulting from the purchase of additional feed, above normal quantities, for the same livestock during an eligible adverse weather or loss condition
- losses associated with the cost of transporting livestock to higher ground during an adverse weather or loss condition are **not** considered eligible livestock feed losses under ELAP.

B Livestock Grazing and Feed Losses

1-LDAP, subparagraph 242 C provides that eligible livestock losses under ELAP are:

- losses of purchased and mechanically harvested forage or feedstuffs
- additional feed expenses for providing or transporting feed to eligible livestock
- losses resulting from the purchase of additional livestock feed, above normal quantities, required to maintain eligible livestock during an eligible adverse weather or loss condition, until additional livestock feed becomes available
- grazing losses
- physical loss of livestock in excess of normal mortality.

When a livestock producer applies for both a grazing loss and a loss resulting from the purchase of additional feed, above normal quantities, for the same livestock, the producer will be compensated under ELAP for the larger of the 2 losses. The FSA-918-1 spreadsheet:

- calculates and compares the eligible payment for both the grazing and feed loss
- includes the larger calculated amount in the producer's ELAP payment.

Note: An eligible livestock producer **may** receive compensation for both a grazing loss and any combination of the following livestock losses:

- loss of purchased and mechanically harvested forage or feedstuffs
- losses resulting from additional feed expenses for providing or transporting feed to eligible livestock
- physical loss of livestock in excess of normal mortality.

Notice LDAP-25

3 Completing FSA-918-1 Excel Spreadsheet

A FSA-918-1 Spreadsheet

An electronic version of FSA-918-1, provided in 1-LDAP, subparagraph 300 B, has been developed to assist County Offices in manually computing livestock payments. The FSA-918-1 spreadsheet may be found on the DAFP Intranet training web site at <http://fsaintranet.sc.egov.usda.gov/fsa/dafp/training/default.htm>. Data from completed FSA-918-1 spreadsheets will be required when State Offices complete 2008 and 2009 ELAP workbooks in the near future.

B County Office Action

In preparation for providing 2008 and 2009 ELAP documentation to State Offices, County Offices shall:

- access the FSA-918-1 spreadsheet on the DAFP Intranet training web site at <http://fsaintranet.sc.egov.usda.gov/fsa/dafp/training/default.htm>
- electronically complete the FSA-918-1 spreadsheet for each completed and approved 2008 and 2009 FSA-918 on file in the County Office
- print a completed FSA-918-1 spreadsheet for each completed and approved 2008 and 2009 FSA-918 on file in the County Office.