

For: FSA Offices

Additional Information Regarding Pulse Crop Posted County Prices (PCP's)

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1 Overview

A Background

Notice LP-1931 was issued on July 8, 2003, and provided information about PCP calculations for dry peas, lentils, and small chickpeas.

For the 2002 crop, base quality levels were based on U. S. No. 1 grade for the pulse crops. According to the Consolidated Appropriations Resolutions, 2003 (the 2003 Act), signed on February 20, 2003, base quality levels for 2003 crop pulse commodities will be feed grade for dry peas, and U. S. No. 3 for lentils and small chickpeas.

On July 11, the market prices announced weekly reflected these changes that were made for the 2003 crop.

B Purpose

This notice:

- informs State and County Offices of additional information for calculating PCP's for 2002 crop pulse crops
- clarifies the correct differential used for determining dry pea PCP's for East and West Regions for 2003.

2 2002 Pulse Crop PCP's

A Adjusting Market Prices

The announced market prices must be adjusted to reflect a correct repayment for outstanding 2002 pulse crop marketing assistance loans.

Disposal Date	Distribution
August 1, 2004	State Offices; State Offices relay to County Offices

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2 2002 Pulse Crop PCP's (Continued)

B Determining 2002 Pulse Crop PCP's

For 2002 repayment rates only, determine PCP by adding the following to the announced market prices:

- \$2.25 for chickpeas
- \$1.25 for lentils
- \$2.50 for dry peas.

C Announced Market Prices

The announced market prices for the week of July 18, 2003, were as follows:

- chickpeas - \$6.00
- lentils - \$13.00
- dry peas - \$4.00.

Examples of 2002 PCP's: Deduct PCP's computed below from the county loan rate to determine the repayment rate for the following 2002 pulse crops:

- chickpeas - \$8.25 (\$6.00 + \$2.25)
- lentils - \$14.25 (\$13.00 + \$1.25)
- dry peas - \$6.50 (\$4.00 + \$2.50).

3 Clarifying 2003 PCP's for Dry Peas

A East Region Differential

There is a \$.79 differential that must be applied to 2003 crop dry peas and is applicable to the LDP and repayment rates calculated for the East Region only.

Example: Dry peas – (July 18, 2003, announced price) \$4.00 - \$.79 = \$3.21.

B Website

PCP's provided on the PSD website will be amended to reflect the 2003 West and East Region prices, as applicable.

C Pulse LDP Rate Location

LDP rates are on PSD's web page at www.fsa.usda.gov/dafp/psd/default.asp