

For: State and County Offices

Processing 2003 NAP Payments

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1 Overview

A Background

1-NAP (Rev. 1), paragraph 193 provides information regarding forage and special forage crops. Paragraph 193 states that under certain circumstances, forage that was intended to be mechanically harvested may have had part or all of the acreage grazed. This requires the NAP Entitlement Report and payment process to calculate the applicable acreage in the unit as both yield based and Animal Unit Day (AUD) to determine the proper payment for the crop definition and unit.

The majority of the time, grazing data in the National Crop Table contains planting period 01. However, a few States have established the grazing data to accommodate warm and cool season grasses as separate crops that require some grasses to contain planting period 02.

B Purpose

This notice informs State and County Offices that grazing data containing planting period 02 may not have been taken into consideration during the payment process for 2003 when special forage rules applied. As a result, an underpayment condition may exist.

Disposal Date	Distribution
February 1, 2005	State Offices; State Offices relay to County Offices

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2 Action

A State Office Action

State Offices shall ensure County Offices:

- are notified of the contents of this notice
- complete the actions provided in subparagraph B after County Release 542 is installed.

B County Office Action

After installing County Release 542, County Offices shall complete the following steps for 2003 NAP.

Step	Action
1	Compute overpayments according to 1-NAP (Rev. 1) paragraph 1371.
2	Verify the overpayment amount listed on the Overpayment Register is a debt due by the producer. Note: If it is determined that the overpayment is not a legitimate overpayment, correct the condition causing the producer to be erroneously listed on the overpayment register. This will ensure the overpayment is not inadvertently transferred to CRS.
3	If it has been determined that the producer is overpaid, following 1-NAP (Rev. 1) paragraph 1373 to transfer the overpayment to CRS.
4	Process an "ALL" payment batch according to 1-NAP (Rev. 1) paragraphs 1321 and 1322 on payment Screen MHACPA01 for program year 2003. Note: Screen MHACPN01 will be displayed if payment can be issued to at least 1 producer.
5	Process all payment batches according to 1-NAP (Rev. 1) paragraph 1323 to issue payments if at least 1 producer is due a payment.