

For: State and County Offices

New 2005 Crop Disaster Program (CDP) Payment Limitation Allocation

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1 Overview

A Background

The Military Construction Appropriation Act of 2005 (2005 Act) authorized new crop loss disaster assistance for producers who suffered 2003-2005 crop losses caused by damaging weather and related conditions. CDP for 2003, 2004, and 2005 crop losses will be implemented in the same manner as the CDP for 2001 and 2002 crop losses, including the same loss thresholds for the quantity and quality losses and the same per “person” payment limitation (\$80,000).

A new payment limitation field has been established for CDP. Under CDP a “person” is subject to an \$80,000 payment limitation amount, which is a cumulative amount. This \$80,000 is an aggregate amount includes the Virginia CDP and North Carolina CDP.

B Purpose

This notice advises State and County Offices that:

- an edit will be performed by ITSD on or about **March 7, 2005**, to establish a new \$80,000 payment limitation allocation field needed for CDP
- the new payment limitation allocation for CDP will be referred to as “CDP”
- software will be included in County Release No. 559 that provides control County Offices with the capability to update PLM allocations amounts for “CDP”

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

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2 File Edits and Software Changes

A Software Modifications Establishing the CDP Allocations

The following software modifications will be sent in County Release No. 559. The software:

- creates a new “CDP” field in the payment limitation file with a maximum allocation of \$80,000 per person
- distributes the initial allocation of \$80,000 equally among all counties for the producer, except CMA counties
- adds the “CDP” allocation field to the **2005 PLM file**

Note: When County Release No. 559 is installed, control County Offices will have the capability to adjust allocations between counties as necessary.

- modifies the 2005 MABDIG report to include the “CDP” PLM allocation field.

B Overwritten Records

When the “CDP” amounts are downloaded to counties, any updates to all existing payment limitation amounts within the last few days may be overwritten. As a result, County Offices may be required to re-enter the overwritten data.

C Handling CDP Allocations after the Edit

After the initial edit, the rules for allocating CDP PLM will be the same as any other limitation. When a new producer becomes multi-county or combined for the first time, the mainframe will divide the allocation equally among all County Offices. The control County Office will have authority to access and adjust the allocation as necessary.