

**For:** Peanut State and County Offices

**Peanut Marketing Assistance Program (PMAP)**

**Approved by:** Acting Deputy Administrator, Farm Programs



**1 Overview**

**A**

**Background**

On June 22, 2000, the President signed the Agricultural Risk Protection Act of 2000, which includes Title II, Agriculture Assistance.

Subtitle A, Market Loss Assistance provides assistance to peanut producers for the 2000 crop year. These payments will be provided to eligible peanut producers to partially compensate them for continuing low commodity prices and increasing cost of production. The signup for the 2000 Peanut Marketing Assistance Payments (PMAP-II) is scheduled for October 2, 2000, through February 1, 2001.

**B**

**Purpose**

This notice:

- informs State and County Offices that PMAP-II payments will be paid to eligible producers for the 2000 crop year
- instructs State and County Offices that all payment activity for PMAP-I for the 1999 crop year must be completed by COB September 6, 2000.

<b>Disposal Date</b>  December 1, 2000	<b>Distribution</b>  Peanut State Offices; State Offices relay to applicable County Offices
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2 Action

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A

State Office  
Action

State Offices shall inform County Offices of the contents of this notice immediately upon receipt.

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B

County Office  
Action

County Offices shall take the the actions in the following table.

Step	Action
1	Publicize the signup dates for PMAP-II for eligible peanut producers of the 2000 crop year. <b>Note:</b> The procedures for PMAP-II will be issued in a future notice.
2	Ensure that all payment activity for PMAP-I for the 1999 crop year is completed by COB September 6, 2000. <b>Note:</b> Once the software for PMAP-II is installed, access to all PMAP-I activities will be prohibited.

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