

July 2015



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## Campbell County FSA Deadlines

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### Campbell County FSA Office

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### Current Programs and Important Dates:

#### **2015 Hay Production Reports- Please note deadline change!**

*The deadline for your 2015 hay crops is November 15, 2015. As soon as you complete your haying this summer please get your production report submitted.*

### County Executive Director: Susan Kramer

### Farm Loan Manager: Rob Weppner

### Program Technicians: Judy Bishop Peggy Seppala Claudette Vander Voort

### County Office Trainee: Courtney DeLaRosa

### Next County Committee Meeting: August 12 at 1:00pm

#### **2015 Fall Acreage Reports**

Please contact the FSA County office to complete your 2016 fall acreage report. Crops included in fall acreage reports include: fall seeded crops, perennial hay crops and Native range to name a few. If you are planting a fall seeded crop, you will need to wait until you are finished planting, to report your planted acres and the final plant date. Contact the county office to make an appointment to complete your reports. The deadline to complete your fall acreage report is **November 15, 2015**.

#### **ARC/PLC Enrollment continues...**

ARC/PLC enrollment for both the 2014 and 2015 crop years is currently under way. **September 30, 2015** is the deadline to complete the 2014 and 2015 enrollment contracts. Please call the office to schedule a time to get your contracts completed.

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### **Youth Loans**

The Farm Service Agency makes loans to youth to establish and operate agricultural income-producing projects in connection with 4-H clubs, FFA and other agricultural groups. Projects must be planned and operated with the help of the organization advisor, produce sufficient income to repay the loan and provide the youth with practical business and educational experience. The maximum loan amount is \$5,000.

### **Youth Loan Eligibility Requirements:**

- Be a citizen of the United States (which includes Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands) or a legal resident alien
- Be 10 years to 20 years of age
- Comply with FSA's general eligibility requirements
- Be unable to get a loan from other sources
- Conduct a modest income-producing project in a supervised program of work as outlined above
- Demonstrate capability of planning, managing and operating the project under guidance and assistance from a project advisor. The project supervisor must recommend the youth loan applicant, along with providing adequate supervision.

Stop by the county office for help preparing and processing the application forms.

### **USDA Packages Disaster Protection with Loans to Benefit Specialty Crop and Diversified Producers**

*Free basic coverage and discounted premiums available for new and underserved loan applicants*

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) today announced that producers who apply for FSA farm loans also will be offered the opportunity to enroll in new disaster loss protections created by the 2014 Farm Bill. The new coverage, available from the Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP), is available to FSA loan applicants who grow non-insurable crops, so this is especially important to fruit and vegetable producers and other specialty crop growers.

New, underserved and limited income specialty growers who apply for farm loans could qualify for basic loss coverage at no cost, or higher coverage for a discounted premium.

The basic disaster coverage protects at 55 percent of the market price for crop losses that exceed 50 percent of production. Covered crops include "specialty" crops, for instance, vegetables, fruits, mushrooms, floriculture, ornamental nursery, aquaculture, turf grass, ginseng, honey, syrup, hay, forage, grazing and energy crops. FSA allows beginning, underserved or limited income producers to obtain NAP coverage up to 90 days after the normal application closing date when they also apply for FSA credit.

In addition to free basic coverage, beginning, underserved or limited income producers are eligible for a 50 percent discount on premiums for the higher levels of coverage that protect up to 65 percent of expected production at 100 percent of the average market price. Producers also may work with FSA to protect value-added production, such as organic or direct market crops, at their fair market value in those markets.

Targeted underserved groups eligible for free or discounted coverage are American Indians or Alaskan Natives, Asians, Blacks or African Americans, Native Hawaiians or other Pacific Islanders, Hispanics, and women.

FSA offers a variety of loan products, including farm ownership loans, operating loans and microloans that have a streamlined application process.

Growers need not apply for an FSA loan, nor be a beginning, limited resource, or underserved farmer, to be eligible for Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program assistance. To learn more, visit [www.fsa.usda.gov/nap](http://www.fsa.usda.gov/nap) or [www.fsa.usda.gov/farmloans](http://www.fsa.usda.gov/farmloans), or contact your local FSA office at <https://offices.usda.gov>.

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### **IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER**

**Aug. 3, 2015 - Deadline to submit County Committee nominations**

**Aug. 12, 2015 - COC Regular Meeting 1:00 pm**  
**Sept. 7, 2015 - Labor Day Holiday - County Office closed**  
**Nov. 15, 2015 - Deadline to file 2016 Fall Acreage reports.**  
**Nov. 15, 2015 - Deadline to file 2015 production on NAP crops.**

**IMMEDIATELY --File Notification of Loss Forms within 15 Days of Loss of crops**

- Notify County office of any changes in Direct Deposit information,**
- Payment limitation changes, Farm records changes, Banking info changes, etc.**

**Any time --CRP Continuous Signup**

- Paid measurement services from FSA**

**Office Hours are from 8:00am to 4:30pm. Producers are urged to call for an appointment, so the office staff can assist you timely. Due to the computer environment, some applications/processes are unable to be completed after 4:00pm.**

**If you have any questions regarding any of the above dates or information in this newsletter, please contact the County office for more information (307) 682-8843, ext.2.**

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