



# Farm Service Agency

SUMMIT COUNTY FSA NEWSLETTER

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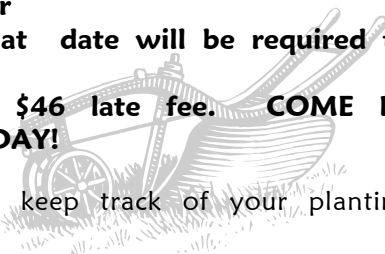
## Acreage Reporting

It is time to begin filing your 2007 crop reports with our office. If you let us know in advance, we will be able to have your maps and all forms ready for you, if possible, and it will reduce the time required to complete this process.

**ALL participating farms must file an annual crop report to be eligible for program benefits.**

**The deadline to report acreage is July 2, 2007. Reports filed after that date will be required to pay a \$46 late fee. COME IN TODAY!**

Also keep track of your planting



## Non-insured Assistance Program

Producers who have a NAP Contract on file with this office need to file a "Notice of Loss" when it becomes apparent that a covered crop or pasture has been damaged by drought, frost, insects, etc. This "Notice of Loss" should be filed **WITHIN 15 DAYS** of when the damage is apparent – no matter how significant the loss may seem at the time. Producers also need to notify our office if you intend to graze a crop instead of harvest it.

Additionally, you need to submit production evidence, even if you did not have a loss, in order to establish an actual production history (APH) for each year. This is used to calculate your production yield: and consequently, will affect your nap payment.

**JULY 2, 2007 IS THE DEADLINE TO SUBMIT 2006 CROP YEAR PRODUCTION**

## NRCS

### Conservation Program Sign-up

Conservation Program Sign-up deadlines are earlier this year. The USDA NRCS (Natural Resources Conservation Service) has announced that statewide signups for Farm Bill conservation programs closes **June 1, 2007**, for the 2008 program year.

By holding signups earlier, farmers will know the results of their conservation program applications when making planting decisions for the coming crop year. The new deadlines will apply to the major NRCS conservation programs – EQIP (Environmental Quality Incentives Program) and WHIP (Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program).

In the EQIP program farmers can apply for cost sharing for many types of farmland conservation practices. For most practices, farmers who are awarded contracts will receive up to 50% of the costs of the project.

These programs are competitive. Generally, only the most environmentally beneficial projects are selected for funding. Apply for all programs at the Coalville NRCS Office, located at 30 South Main, Coalville. If you have any questions please call at: (435) 336-5853.

## Wool LDP Reminder

Have you visited our office and signed your CCC-633 EZ, "Loan Deficiency Payment (LDP) Agreement and Request"?

By signing the first page of this form, you indicate your intention to receive LDP benefits. Once the form has been signed, you can submit an LDP request for payment at any time during the loan availability period – before or after losing beneficial interest. One thing that hasn't changed is the statutory requirement that you request an LDP **before** beneficial interest (ownership) in an eligible commodity is lost. Once beneficial interest in a commodity is lost, the commodity is ineligible for a Loan Deficiency payment.

### County Office Information

**Office Hours: Monday – Friday  
8:00 AM - 4:30 PM**

**Address: PO Box 437  
30 South Main  
Coalville, UT 84017**

**Phone: (435) 336-5573  
(435) 336-2132 (FAX)**

**Staff: Michael Smith, CED  
Karren Richins, PT**

### County Committee:

**Wendell Stembridge. .Chairman  
Kay Richins . . . Vice Chairman  
Kerry Pace . . . . COC Member  
Metta Richins. .Minority Advisor**

### Dates to Remember

TODAY	Sign-up for 2007 DCP
TODAY	Report Farm Changes
TODAY	Sign-up for Wool LDP <b>Before</b>
TODAY	You lose Beneficial Interest
May 28	Office Closed Memorial Day
May 29	COC Meeting
June 1	Signup ends for NRCS Programs
July 2	Last day to file Acreage Report Without paying Late Fee

## 2007 COC Elections

### Nominations for our County Office Committee position begin June 15 !

The position that will be up for election this year is LAA 3: the south Summit area. (Peoa Oakley, Kamas, Park City, etc).

Committee members are a critical component of the day-to-day operations of FSA. They help deliver FSA farm programs at the local level. They work to make FSA agricultural programs serve the needs of producers.

Interested persons can obtain eligibility information and the required nomination form (FSA-669A "Nomination Form for County FSA Committee Election") from this office. The form is also enclosed for your convenience.

**All Nominations must be submitted by August 1, 2007.**

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## DCP Program

### Direct and Counter-Cyclical Program

It's time once again to sign-up for the DCP program! You can begin enrolling your farm in 2007 DCP.

This commodity based program **is not** a continuous program. Contracts for the DCP program must be updated each year. **Deadline to enroll without a late payment fee is August 3, 2007.**

The last day to sign your 2007 DCP contract is September 28, 2007, but you will be required to pay the **\$100 late-file fee** if you enroll between August 4<sup>th</sup> and September 28<sup>th</sup>.

## Farm Loan Programs

Need temporary credit? Maybe we can help. FSA makes and guarantees loans to farmers and ranchers who are temporarily unable to obtain private commercial credit. These may be beginning farmers who can't qualify for conventional loans because of insufficient net worth, or established farmers who have a lack of cash flow to meet bank standards. These loans are tailored to a producer's needs and may be used for the following purposes:

- **Farm Ownership (FO) Loans:** used to buy, develop, or expand a farm
- **Down Payment (FO) Loans:** used to assist beginning farmers and ranchers to purchase a farm or ranch
- **Participation Loans:** used to assist farmers or ranchers to purchase a farm with the assistance of a lender or seller
- **Farm Operating Loans:** used for operating expenses, family subsistence, machinery, livestock, permits, and to refinance debt
- **Beginning Farmer Loans:** used to help farmers start an operation
- **Guaranteed Loans:** local lenders ask for assistance from FSA to guarantee their loans for farm ownership or farm operating purposes

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