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## Merced-Mariposa County FSA Updates

DEAR PRODUCERS: Welcome to the new GovDelivery bulletins and updates service from your County FSA office. Note that you are welcome to request to receive bulletins from more than one county and can add or remove individual subscriptions at any time.

### Office Location:

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### Contact Information:

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### Hours:

Monday - Friday

8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

### 2013 Crop Reporting Deadlines

CROP	NEW DEADLINE
Honey	January 2
Fall Seeded Wheat, Barley & Oats	March 15
Spring Seeded Barley & Oats	July 15
Avocados, Blueberries, Grapefruit, Lemons, Mandarins, Tangelos, Oranges, Strawberries, Sugar Beets	January 15
Alfalfa Seed, Almonds, Apples, Barley, Cherries, Figs, Fresh Apricots, Fresh Freestone Peaches, Fresh Nectarines, Pears, Plums, Walnuts	March 15
Grapes, Table Grapes and Forage Seeding	May 15
Forage Seeding	June 15
Spring Alfalfa seed, Barley, Corn, Cotton, Rice, Dry Beans, Fresh Market Tomatoes, Grain Sorghum, Mint, Onions, Safflower, Tomatoes and all other crops	July 15
Raisins	July 31
Strawberries	September 15
Perennial Forage	December 15

### County Committee:

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## NAP Coverage Deadline

Noninsured Crop Disaster applications are due at different times according to the crop being insured. Producers should apply for Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) coverage using form CCC-471 Application for Coverage. Related service fees are due when the application is filed. The application and service fee **MUST** be filed by the crop sales closing date. The last deadlines for the year are as follows:

**Apples - 1/31/2013**

**Annuals(Tomatoes, herbs, squash, etc.) - 3/1/2013**

## 2013 Ag Census

### Farm Program Staff:

Joe Grillo, CED

USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service mailed the 2013 Census of Agriculture in mid-December. If you received an Ag Census form, please complete and return it by February 4, 2013.

Lydia Swilley, PT

Producers can easily and securely respond online after receiving their census form at [www.agcensus.usda.gov](http://www.agcensus.usda.gov). For questions or help completing the form producers can contact NASS at (888)424-7828.

Gizela Gover, PT

Lenai Mull, PT

The Census of Agriculture is conducted only once every five years to accurately collect demographic information about farmers and ranchers and their operations. USDA agencies use the results of the Census for education, research, planning and policymaking decisions within government, as well as business, industry and academia. The use of this valuable information impacts **everyone** across our nation.

Tina Frey, PT

### Farm Loan Staff:

LaVon Treasure, FLM

## IRS 1099 Changes

Aileen Garcia, FLO

FSA has changed the way it will report farm program payment to the producer for 2012.

Laura Westerfield, FLOT

Phyllis Boyle, PT

In previous years, IRS Form 1099-G would be issued to show all program payments received from the Farm Service Agency, regardless of amount. Starting with calendar year 2012, producers whose total reportable payments from FSA are less than \$600 will not receive a Form 1099-G. Also, producers who receive payments from more than one county will only receive one Form 1099-G if the total of all counties is \$600 or more.

The same changes will apply to those who normally receive IRS Form 1099-MISC from FSA.

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## Emergency Farm Loans

USDA's Farms Service Agency (FSA) provides emergency loans to help producers recover from production and physical losses due to drought, flooding, other natural disasters, or quarantine.

Emergency loan funds may be used to:

- Restore or replace essential property.
- Pay all or part of production costs associated with the disaster year.
- Pay essential family living expenses.
- Reorganize the farming operation.
- Refinance certain debts.

Further information and applications for the loan programs described are available at local FSA county offices.



**The management and staff of the  
Merced-Mariposa Farm Service Agency  
would like to wish all of you best wishes  
for a healthy happy new year!**

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