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Stanislaus-Tuolumne County FSA Updates

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County Committee (COC)

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Next COC Meeting:

September 20, 2012

Farm Program Staff:

Jonna Spaletta, CED
Joni Christensen, PT
Carmen Cardenas, PT
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Farm Loan Staff:

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For further details or to discuss your operation's eligibility for any program, contact your nearest FSA office.

For a list of local offices, visit www.fsa.usda.gov/ca

New Crop Reporting Deadlines for FY 2013

In an effort to become more uniform with the Risk Management Agency, the Farm Service Agency has adopted new crop reporting deadlines (not all but most dates have changed). Please see the table below and take note of when your crops now need to be reported:

Crop	Practice/Final Plant Dates	Reporting Deadlines
Perennial Forage (Alfalfa), Native Grass & Clover		December 15, 2012
Honey		January 2, 2013
Strawberries	8/16 - 11/15	January 15, 2013
Wheat	Fall or Spring Seeded	March 15, 2013
Barley & Oats	Fall Seeded	March 15, 2013
	Spring Seeded	July 15, 2013
Almonds, Walnuts, Apples, Cherries, Apricots, Peaches		March 15, 2013
Grapes & Table Grapes		May 15, 2013
Corn, Dry Beans, Rice, Onions & Tomatoes		July 15, 2013

** Please contact our office for crop reporting dates not listed

Our office will make every effort to notify producers of the deadlines throughout the upcoming year. Reminders will be sent out via electronic newsletters or bulletins on GovDelivery. If you have any questions regarding the new deadlines, please contact our office.



Quick Recap of Last Month's Topics

Farm Loan Programs: Direct, operating, youth and guaranteed loans are available. To find out more about FSA loan programs, contact Farm Loan Staff.



Notice to Hispanic and/or Women Farmers or Ranchers

If you believe that the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) improperly denied you farm loan benefits between 1981 and 2000 because you are Hispanic, or because you are female, you may be eligible to apply for compensation.

To register your name to receive a claims packet, call the Farmer and Rancher Call Center at 1-888-508-4429 or visit www.farmerclaims.gov.

The claims package will have detailed information about the eligibility and claims process. **USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.**

Dates to Remember

9/20- Next County Committee Meeting

October- 2012 DCP/ACRE direct payments will be issued
2011 ACRE prices are expected to post

11/5- County Committee Election Ballots to be mailed to eligible voters in LAA #2 & #4

12/1- 2013 NAP coverage deadline for native grass/rangeland, honey & forage crops (i.e. oats, wheat, mixed forage, etc.)

12/3- County Committee Election Ballots must be post-marked or returned to the County Office

12/6- Election Ballots will be counted at County Committee Meeting

12/15- 2013 NAP coverage deadline for perennial crops (i.e. kiwi, blueberries, etc.)

12/15- New! 2013 deadline to certify perennial forage (including alfalfa, native grass and clover)

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