



# NEWSLETTER



## Idaho Farm Service Agency

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County Newsletter

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## Increase in Guaranteed Loan Program Limit

The Farm Service Agency loan limit for the Guaranteed Loan Program has increased to \$1,302,000. The National Agricultural Statistics Service adjusts the lending limit every year according to an inflation index. The maximum combined guaranteed and direct farm loan indebtedness is now \$1,602,000.

As a reminder, the one-time loan origination fee charged on FSA guaranteed farm ownership and operating loans is 1.5 percent of the guaranteed portion of the loan. Producers should contact the local FSA Office with questions about farm loans.

## Disaster Assistance: Emergency Farm Loans

USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) provides emergency loans to help producers recover from production and physical losses due to drought, flooding and 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; and
- Refinance certain debts.

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

## DCP Deadline Reminders

Producers who have not yet enrolled in DCP or have not yet signed their DCP contracts must do so by close of business **Monday, Sept. 16, 2013**.

Also, producers with succession-in-interest changes on their operation that affect interest in base acres since the current DCP contract on-file was signed, must report those changes to the local FSA office by close of business **Monday, Sept. 30, 2013**.

Failure to report a succession-in-interest can result in contract termination and a loss of program benefits for all producers involved.

The American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012, enacted on Jan. 2, 2013, amends the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 and provides for a one-year extension of the Direct and Counter-Cyclical (DCP) program.

## Farm Safety

Flowing grain in a storage bin or gravity-flow wagon is like quicksand, it can kill quickly. It takes less than five seconds for a person caught in flowing grain to be trapped.

The mechanical aspects of grain handling equipment, also presents a real danger. Augers, power take offs, and other moving parts can grab people or clothing.

These hazards, along with pinch points and missing shields, are dangerous for adults; and especially children. Keep children a safe distance from operating farm equipment.

Always use extra caution when backing up or maneuvering farm machinery. Ensure everyone is visibly clear and accounted for before machinery is engaged.

Put safety first this year to avoid disabling injuries or worse.

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## NAP Loss Filing

The CCC-576, Notice of Loss, is used to report failed acreage and prevented planting and may be completed by any producer with an interest in the crop. Timely filing a Notice of Loss is required for all crops including grasses. For losses on crops covered by the Non-insured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) and crop insurance, you must file a CCC-576 (Notice of Loss) in the FSA County Office within 15 days of the occurrence of the disaster or when losses become apparent.

If filing for prevented planting, an acreage report and CCC-576 must be filed within 15 calendar days of the final crop planting date.

## Youth Loans

The Farm Service Agency makes loans to rural youths to establish and operate 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 \$5000.

For more information you can stop by your FSA county office. Our staff can help with preparing and processing the application forms.

## CREP & Continuous CRP Available

The Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP) allows farmers and ranchers to voluntarily enroll environmentally sensitive land into a program that decreases erosion, restores wildlife habitat and safeguards ground and surface water. CREP is a partnership with federal and state government and is ongoing in the following counties in Idaho: Bingham, Blaine, Bonneville, Butte, Cassia, Fremont, Gooding, Jefferson, Jerome, Lincoln, Madison, Minidoka, and Twin Falls.

Environmentally sensitive acreage qualifying for the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP) or Continuous CRP will be eligible for annual rental payments and cost-share of up to 50 percent on approved practices. These programs will remain funded, and continue to provide heightened environmental benefits on select acres.

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**CED: County Exec Director**

**FLM: Farm Loan Manager**

<b>Selected Interest Rates for September 2013</b>	
Farm Operating - Direct	1.875%
Farm Ownership - Direct	4.00%
Limited Resource	5.00%
Farm Ownership - Direct Down Payment, Beginning Farmer or Rancher	1.50%
Emergency (Actual Loss)	2.875%
Farm Storage Facility – 7 year	2.00%
Farm Storage Facility – 10 year	2.625%
Farm Storage Facility – 12 year	2.875%

<b>Dates to Remember</b>	
Sept. 16	DCP Enrollment Deadline
Sept. 30	Successor-in-Interest Report Deadline
Sept. 30	NAP application deadline for fall planted crops
Sept. 30	NAP application deadline for grass seed in Northern District
Nov. 4	COC ballots Mailed to Eligible voters
Nov. 15	Crop reporting deadline for perennial crops
Dec. 1	NAP application deadline for perennial forage and Honey

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