

For: State and County Offices

Signup Deadline for 2011 ELAP and Completing 2011 ELAP Applications

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1 Overview

A Background

On January 12, 2012, Notice LDAP-46 was issued to provide the signup deadline for 2011 ELAP.

Signup for 2011 livestock, honeybees, and farm-raised fish losses under ELAP began January 1, 2011. 7 CFR 760.207 provides that, in addition to submitting a notice of loss at the appropriate time, producers must file an application for payment no later than 30 calendar days after the end of the calendar year in which the loss occurred.

The National Office is preparing to issue 2011 ELAP workbooks to State Offices so that 2011 ELAP payment data can be uploaded to the National Office to determine a National payment factor, if applicable. County Offices must take the necessary action outlined in this notice to prepare for providing required 2011 ELAP documentation to State Offices.

Note: A forthcoming LDAP notice will outline the ELAP documentation that State Offices must collect from County Offices for completing 2011 ELAP workbooks.

B Purpose

This notice:

- notifies State and County Offices that ELAP signup for 2011 livestock, honeybees, and farm-raised fish losses ends **COB January 30, 2012**
- provides County Offices with instructions for completing FSA-918's for livestock feed losses

Disposal Date	Distribution
April 1, 2012	State Offices; State Offices relay to County Offices

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1 Overview (Continued)

B Purpose (Continued)

- instructs County Offices to manually complete FSA-918-1, according to paragraph 3, for all completed and approved 2011 FSA-918's in the county
- obsoletes Notice LDAP-46 to correct the signup deadline from COB January 31, 2012, to **COB January 30, 2012.**

C 2011 ELAP Signup Deadline

The signup deadline for 2011 ELAP ends **COB January 30, 2012.** In addition to filing a notice of loss according to 1-LDAP, paragraph 295, producers must file a manual application for payment on the applicable FSA-918 or FSA-930 and supporting documents, provided in 1-LDAP, subparagraph 296 E, by **COB January 30, 2012.**

2 Completing FSA-918

A Livestock Feed Losses - FSA-918, Parts F and G

FSA-918, Parts F and G do **not** capture the applicable livestock numbers for which feed losses were incurred. On FSA-918, Parts F and G, County Offices must notate to the left of the following items the corresponding livestock number listed in FSA-918, Part D, item 14 for which feed losses were incurred:

- Part F, item 38 for produced feed losses
- Part G, item 43 for purchased feed losses, additional feed purchased above normal quantities to maintain eligible livestock during an adverse weather or loss condition, and additional feed expenses.

The livestock numbers will be used to identify the applicable livestock for which feed losses were incurred, which is needed to determine the 90-calendar-day feed loss payment calculation.

B Required Producer Certification for Wolf Depredation

To be eligible to receive ELAP benefits for livestock losses because of wolf depredation, the livestock producer must certify that he or she has not and will not receive benefits for more than 95 percent of the value of livestock lost because of wolf depredation in a calendar year from all Federal, State, and privately established programs combined that compensate livestock producers for wolf depredation.

County Offices shall follow procedure in 1-LDAP, subparagraph 296 A with respect to adding a certification statement to all FSA-918's filed for livestock death losses because of wolf depredation.

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3 Completing the Automated 2011 FSA-918-1

A 2011 FSA-918-1 Excel Spreadsheet

An electronic version of the 2011 FSA-918-1, provided in 1-LDAP, subparagraph 300 B, has been developed to assist County Offices in manually computing livestock payments. The 2011 FSA-918-1 may be found on DAFP's Intranet training site at <http://fsaintranet.sc.egov.usda.gov/fsa/dafp/training/default.htm>.

Data from completed FSA-918-1's will be required when State Offices complete 2011 ELAP workbooks in the near future.

B County Office Action

In preparation for providing 2011 ELAP documentation to State Offices, County Offices shall:

- access FSA-918-1 on the DAFP web site
- electronically complete FSA-918-1 for each completed and approved 2011 FSA-918 on file in the county according to 1-LDAP, subparagraph 300 A
- print a completed FSA-918-1 for each completed and approved 2011 FSA-918 on file in the County Office
- have a second party review, initial, and date completed FSA-918-1's.

4 Action

A State Office Action

State Offices shall ensure that County Offices:

- are immediately informed of the contents of this notice
- immediately take the required action outlined in this notice.

B County Office Action

County Offices shall immediately take the action outlined in this notice to ensure that 2011 ELAP applications are completed according to this notice.