

For: State and County Offices

Collecting National Grain Sorghum Research and Promotion (R&P) Fees

Approved by: Acting Deputy Administrator, Farm Programs



1 New National Grain Sorghum R&P Fee Collection

A Background

The Sorghum Promotion, Research, and Information Order, 7 CFR Part 1221, issued May 6, 2008, established a national Sorghum Promotion, Research, and Information Board and implemented a grain sorghum assessment R&P fee to be deducted at the rate of 0.6 percent of the net market value received by the producer for all States effective for the 2008 crop year.

The net market value for sorghum pledged as collateral for a loan issued under any CCC price support loan program is the principal amount of the loan after adjustments for any premiums or discounts.

The national grain sorghum R&P fee will:

- be collected at loan disbursement for all States
- be deducted from loan principal in addition to any current State assessment
- not cancel any individual State assessment already being collected.

B Purpose

This notice informs State and County Offices that:

- there is a new R&P fee for grain sorghum
- software will automatically deduct R&P fee collections for grain sorghum.

Disposal Date	Distribution
January 1, 2009	State Offices; State Offices relay to County Offices

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C Software

The ability to collect the grain sorghum R&P fee is currently unavailable in APSS. The changes to APSS will be included in a future county release scheduled for mid-July. State and County Offices will be informed when the enhanced software is available.

D Contact

For questions about this notice, State Offices shall contact either of the following.

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