

**Regular Minutes of the State Committee (STC) meeting held on March 12, 2013, in the STO, Raleigh, NC. The meeting was called to order at 8:00 am.**

**STATE COMMITTEE: T. Pender Sharp III, Chairman, Thomas O. Gilmore, Sr., John E. Ashe, Jr. and Nancy E. Fish**

**STAFF: Cynthia Kernodle, Acting State Executive Director, Susan Woodall, Rob Satterfield**

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**CRP - Alternate County Average Soil Rental Rates for 2013**

The following counties submitted justification for a proposed alternate county average SRR according to Notice CRP-732.

<b>County</b>	<b>Previous SRR</b>	<b>NASS SRR 2013</b>	<b>COC Proposed Alternate SRR</b>
Burke	\$86	\$31	\$88
McDowell	\$56	\$40	\$99
Cleveland	\$31	\$29	\$34
Macon	\$56	\$40	\$90
Mitchell	\$106	\$40	\$125
Yancey	\$106	\$40	\$140
Pamlico	\$65	\$62	\$70
Pender	\$51	\$54	\$71
Polk	\$70	\$40	\$70
Transylvania	\$58	\$40	\$70
Rutherford	\$63	\$28	\$40
Stanly	\$58	\$85	\$58
Vance	\$39	\$31	\$40
Warren	\$29	\$30	\$40
Swain	None	\$40	\$76
Jackson	\$56	\$40	\$76

It was determined that recommendations for alternate county average SRR's were complete, accurate and justified.

The STC concurred with the COC Proposed Alternate County Average SRR's and recommends approval to Matthew Ponish, Acting Director, Conservation Environmental Programs Division. The proposed rates will be submitted with justification to CEPD for review.

### **COMPLIANCE – Review Double-Cropping Request – Beaufort-Hyde County**

The STC reviewed and approved the following double cropping combinations for Beaufort and Hyde Counties

Onions double cropped with Broccoli, Planting Period 2  
Onions double cropped with Soybeans  
Cucumbers double cropped with Grain Sorghum

The STC reviewed and disapproved the following double cropping combinations for Beaufort and Hyde Counties:

Green Beans double cropped with Sweet Corn – Based on the earliest suggested planting date and the minimum days to maturity the normal harvest date for green beans would be June 15<sup>th</sup>. The final suggested planting date for sweet corn is June 1<sup>st</sup>.

Green Beans double cropped with Corn – Based on the earliest suggested planting date and the minimum days to maturity the normal harvest date for green beans would be June 15. The final RMA planting date for corn is May 15<sup>th</sup>.

Sweet Corn double cropped with Grain Sorghum - Based on the earliest suggested planting date and the minimum days to maturity the normal harvest date for sweet corn would be July 9<sup>th</sup>. The final RMA planting date for grain sorghum is June 15<sup>th</sup>.

### **COMPLIANCE – Review Double-Cropping Request – Cabarrus-Mecklenburg County**

The STC reviewed and approved the following double cropping combinations for Cabarrus and Mecklenburg Counties

Wheat double cropped with Grain Sorghum  
Canola double cropped with Soybeans  
Onions double cropped with Sweet Potatoes

The STC reviewed and disapproved the following double cropping combinations for Cabarrus and Mecklenburg Counties:

Sweet Corn double cropped with Soybeans – Based on the earliest suggested planting date and the minimum days to maturity the normal harvest date for sweet corn would be July 9<sup>th</sup>. The final RMA planting date for soybeans is June 30<sup>th</sup>.

Sweet Corn double cropped with Sweet Corn – A second planting of the same crop would be considered two planting periods not double cropping. Based on the earliest planting date for sweet corn and the days to maturity the STC does not feel it is possible to consistently produce two plantings of sweet corn on the same acres in the same crop year.

Barley double cropped with Sweet Corn – The normal harvest date for barley is late May to early June under ideal conditions. The final suggested planting date for sweet corn is June 1.

The STC felt based on the planting dates, days to maturity, and normal harvest dates the disapproved double cropping request could not constantly be produced.

If counties have individual producers that could provide documentation showing that they had successfully planted and carried to maturity for the intended use both crops in the requested combination 2 of the past 4 years they would consider approving the combination for that producer according to 2-CP paragraph 25 F.

**COMPLIANCE – Review of 2013 Acreage Reporting Policy**

In accordance with par. 21D of 2-CP late filed crop reports will continue to be waived until September 15, 2013 for 2013 crops. However 2014 PRF or perennial forage would have an ending reporting date of November 15, 2013.

**NAP – Yield Establishment for Irrigated White Half Runner Beans – Henderson County**

The State Committee reviewed a request from Henderson County to add a yield and price for irrigated white half runner beans (WHR), planting period 2 to the NCT and approve for NAP. There is no yield or price data available for this crop and practice in Henderson County however there is an established irrigated yield and price for white half runner beans for planting period 1 for Haywood County. The STC determined the yield and price established for Haywood County planting period 1 should be used for Henderson County planting period 2 and approved for NAP.

**SURE – Program Update**

A report was made to the STC on the progress of SURE in North Carolina. To date 806 payments had been issued for a total of \$21,071,776. Counties are still processing applications but payments are currently on hold.

**SURE - Establish Maximum Average Loss Levels**

The State Committee reviewed and approved the following maximum average loss levels recommended by the Franklin County Committee:

Crop	UOM	Practice	Intended Use	STC Established County Yield	Maximum Average Loss Level (Average County Yield)	Percent Maximum Loss
Grass/FTA	TON	NI	Fg	1.77	1.77	0%
MixFG/IGS	TON	NI	Fg	1.77	1.77	0%

The State Committee reviewed and approved the following maximum average loss levels recommended by the Rockingham County Committee:

Crop	UOM	Practice	Intended Use	STC Established County Yield	Maximum Average Loss Level (Average County Yield)	Percent Maximum Loss
PRF	TON	NI	Fg	1.94	1.358	30%

The State Committee reviewed and approved the following maximum average loss levels recommended by the Rutherford County Committee:

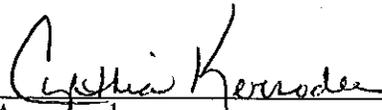
Crop	UOM	Practice	Intended Use	STC Established County Yield	Maximum Average Loss Level (Average County Yield)	Percent Maximum Loss
Grass	TON	NI	Fg	1.42	.53	63%

**NC Peanut Growers Referendum Request**

Approved Robert Sutter, Chief Executive Officer, for the NC Peanut Growers Association’s, request to place ballot boxes in the FSA County Offices for the upcoming Peanut Growers Referendum.

There being no further Regular Session Business, the meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m. and went into Executive Session.

  
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Approved:  
T. Pender Sharp, III  
Chairperson, FSA State Committee

  
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Approved:  
Cynthia Kernodle  
Secretary

