



DISASTER PROGRAMS

Authorized by the 2014 Farm Bill



NONINSURED CROP DISASTER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (NAP)

- Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program provides financial assistance to producers of non-insurable crops to protect against natural disasters that result in lower yields or crop losses or prevents crop planting.

NONINSURED CROP DISASTER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (NAP)

- Acreage reports are required to verify existence of the covered crop and the number of acres covered by the application.
- Producers must notify their FSA office within 15 days of when natural disaster occurs.
- NAP information is available from your local FSA office or FSA's website at www.fsa.usda.gov/nap.



NONINSURED CROP DISASTER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (NAP)

- NAP payments are limited to \$125,000 per crop year.
- NAP information is available from your local FSA office or FSA's website at www.fsa.usda.gov/nap

NONINSURED CROP DISASTER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (NAP)

- Application Closing Dates
 - Vary by crop
 - Cool Season Forages 9-30-16
 - Blueberries 11-20-16
 - Pecans 1-1-17
 - Warm Season Forages 03-15-2017

Contact your local FSA office for more Info

NONINSURED CROP DISASTER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (NAP)

- Coverage levels
 - Basic coverage
 - 50% of expected production at 55% of the average market price
 - Buy-up coverage
 - 50% to 65% of expected production at 100% of the average market price

NONINSURED CROP DISASTER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (NAP)

- The service fee is \$250 per crop not to exceed \$750 per administrative county.
- Premiums for Buy-up Coverage
 - Producers share X # eligible acres X approved yield X coverage level X 5.25% premium fee

NONINSURED CROP DISASTER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (NAP)

- Beginning, limited resource and targeted underserved farmers eligible for:
 - waiver of the service fee.
 - 50% premium reduction
- Limited resource status may be determined using Tool located at www.lrftool.sc.egov.usda.gov/.



LIVESTOCK FORAGE DISASTER PROGRAM (LFP)

- LFP provides compensation to producers who have suffered grazing losses for covered livestock on land that is native or improved pastureland with permanent vegetative cover or is planted specifically for grazing due to qualifying drought.

LIVESTOCK FORAGE DISASTER PROGRAM (LFP)

- Eligible Producers
 - Own, cash or share lease or be contract grower of covered livestock
 - Provide pastureland or grazing land, including cash-rented pastureland
 - Certify they suffered a grazing loss
 - Timely file acreage report for all grazing land for which loss of grazing is claimed

LIVESTOCK FORAGE DISASTER PROGRAM (LFP)

- Eligible Livestock
 - Types: Alpacas, beef cattle, buffalo, beefalo, dairy cattle, deer, elk, emus, equine, goats, llamas, poultry, reindeer, sheep or swine
 - Grazing eligible grazing land during the normal grazing period for the county.
 - Must have been owned, purchased or entered into contract to purchase 60 days prior to beginning date of qualifying drought.
 - Have been maintained for commercial use



LIVESTOCK FORAGE DISASTER PROGRAM (LFP)

- Benefits are determined by the U. S. Drought Monitor rating for the county where pastureland is physically located.
- National Office notifies county when U.S. Drought Monitor triggers eligibility for LFP sign up.



LIVESTOCK FORAGE DISASTER PROGRAM (LFP)

- D2 (severe drought) intensity in any area of the county for at least 8 consecutive weeks during the normal grazing period then county is eligible for 1 monthly payment of assistance.
- D3 (extreme drought) intensity is eligible for 3 monthly payments.

LIVESTOCK FORAGE DISASTER PROGRAM (LFP)

- D3 (extreme drought) intensity for 4 weeks during normal grazing period is eligible for 4 monthly payments.
- D4 (exceptional drought) intensity for 4 weeks during normal grazing period is eligible for 5 monthly payments

LIVESTOCK FORAGE DISASTER PROGRAM (LFP)

- LFP monthly payments are calculated at 60% of the lesser of animal feed needs or normal carrying capacity of the grazing acres reported by the producer

LIVESTOCK FORAGE DISASTER PROGRAM (LFP)

- Total LFP payments to an eligible producer may not exceed 5 monthly payments
- Payment limitation may not exceed \$125,000 in total payments per producer per calendar for LFP, ELAP, LIP and AGI cannot exceed \$900,000

LIVESTOCK FORAGE DISASTER PROGRAM (LFP)

- Payments equal 1,3,4 or 5 times the LFP monthly payment rate X 60%
- Application for payment and required supporting documentation must be provided to FSA office within 30 calendar days after the end of the calendar year in which the grazing loss occurred.

LIVESTOCK INDEMNITY PROGRAM (LIP)

- LIP provides benefits to livestock producers for livestock deaths in excess of normal mortality caused by adverse weather conditions
- Producer must have owned livestock on day of death
- VERY IMPORTANT-Producer must file NOTICE of LOSS within 30 days of when loss is first apparent to producer.

LIVESTOCK INDEMNITY PROGRAM (LIP)

- Producer shall have a beginning animal inventory at the beginning of calendar year for which benefits are requested with a running record of normal production death losses to document normal mortality
- Producer must establish animal inventory as of the date of death due to eligible disaster event
- Documentation of the number and kind of livestock that have died must be submitted with the LIP application

LIVESTOCK INDEMNITY PROGRAM (LIP)

- Documentation may include dated photographs of dead animals, veterinarian records, production records, bank or loan documents, rendering truck receipts or certificates, property tax records, private insurance records
- Reliable records such as contemporaneous producer records existing at the time of the adverse weather event, dated pictures of dead animals, brand inspections, etc. are acceptable
- Third party certifications with third party telephone number, address, and written statement containing very specific details about their knowledge of the livestock deaths



LIVESTOCK INDEMNITY PROGRAM (LIP)

- Anthrax is the only eligible disease under LIP for which losses are compensated

LIVESTOCK INDEMNITY PROGRAM (LIP)

- Payment rates are based on 75% of the fair market value for a specific livestock category: adult beef cow \$1529.14
- Natural disaster events such as floods, lightning, extreme cold or extreme heat, tornadoes or other extreme weather events are eligible under LIP
- Emphasis on good records and documentation of losses cannot be stressed enough
- Call your local FSA office immediately upon occurrence of livestock death losses attributed to natural disaster- I cannot emphasize this enough!!!!



EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE FOR LIVESTOCK, HONEYBEES AND FARM-RAISED FISH PROGRAM (ELAP)

- This program provides payments to eligible livestock, honeybees, and farm-raised fish to help compensate for losses due to disease (including cattle tick fever, colony collapse disorder) in honeybees, adverse weather, or other conditions, such as blizzards and wildfires as determined by the Secretary of Agriculture
- ELAP provides assistance for losses not covered by LFP and LIP



EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE FOR LIVESTOCK, HONEYBEES AND FARM-RAISED FISH PROGRAM (ELAP)

- ELAP provides assistance for livestock grazing, feed, and death losses; honeybee feed, colony, and hive losses; and fish feed and death losses
- ELAP also covers losses related to expenses incurred to gather cattle for cattle tick fever treatment and for losses related to cost of transporting water due to an eligible drought beginning in 2014



EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE FOR LIVESTOCK, HONEYBEES AND FARM-RAISED FISH PROGRAM (ELAP)

- Notice of Loss -file within 30 days of loss becomes apparent
- Application for payment – file by November 1 after the program year in which loss occurred



EMERGENCY CONSERVATION PROGRAM (ECP)

- Emergency Conservation Program provides emergency funding and technical assistance to farmers and ranchers to rehabilitate farmland damaged by natural disasters and implement emergency water conservation in periods of severe drought.

EMERGENCY CONSERVATION PROGRAM (ECP)

- Land Eligibility is based on on-site inspections of damaged land to determine the type and extent of damage.
- The natural disaster must create new conservation problems that if left untreated would:
 - Impair or endanger land
 - Material affect land's productive capacity
 - Represent unusual damage that does not recur frequently
 - Be so costly to repair that federal assistance is needed.

EMERGENCY CONSERVATION PROGRAM (ECP)

- Payments
 - Cost-share up to 75% to implement approved ECP practices
 - Limited resource producers may receive up to 90% cost-share
 - Cost-share is limited to \$200,000 per person or legal entity



EMERGENCY CONSERVATION PROGRAM (ECP)

- Eligible Conservation Practices:
 - Debris removal from farmland
 - Grading, shaping or leveling land
 - Restoring livestock fences and conservation structures
 - Providing water for livestock during periods of severe drought



EMERGENCY CONSERVATION PROGRAM (ECP)

- Enrollment Period
 - Producers should check with their local FSA office.



CONTACT YOUR LOCAL FSA OFFICE FOR MORE INFORMATION

- Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP)
- Livestock Disaster Forage Program (LFP)
- Livestock Indemnity Program (LIP)
- Emergency Assistance for Livestock, Honeybees, and Farm-Raised Fish Program (ELAP)
- Emergency Conservation Program (ECP)