



## **MISSOURI DISTRICT 5**

Boone, Callaway, Cole-Miller, Franklin, Gasconade, Moniteau, Montgomery, Morgan, Osage-Maries, St. Charles-St. Louis, and Warren Counties

### **May 10, 2012**

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### **Important Reminders for Producers**

- **June 1, 2012** is the application closing date for the 2012 Direct and Counter Cyclical / Average Crop Revenue Election Programs (DCP / ACRE). DCP and ACRE are commonly referred to as the “annual program”. June 1 is also the closing date for the Supplemental Revenue Assistance Program (SURE) which compensates for 2010 crop year revenue losses. Contact your county FSA Office to complete the enrollment process.
- The final acreage reporting date for wheat and small grain planted acreage is **July 2, 2012** and all other crops must be reported by **July 16, 2012**. Call your local office soon to schedule an appointment.
- FSA offices are no longer mailing postcards to remind producers of upcoming program sign-ups and deadlines, due to budget restraints. We encourage producers to provide e-mail and cell phone numbers to their local offices. Check [www.fsa.usda.gov/mo](http://www.fsa.usda.gov/mo) for the newest program deadlines and information.

### **Crop Acreage Reporting Dates for FSA and Crop Insurance**

Beginning July 2012, there will be changes in the Crop Acreage Reporting Dates. The revision in reporting dates was the result of a combined effort of FSA and the Risk Management Agency (RMA – crop insurance) to make acreage reporting easier. Standardized acreage reporting deadlines for both FSA and crop insurance purposes are:

Fall barley, wheat and other fall seeded grains planted in fall of 2011, report by June 30 (for 2012, reports are due by **7/2/2012**).

Corn, grain sorghum, soybeans, CRP, all other acreages not listed, report by July 15 (for 2012, reports are due by **7/16/2012**).

Fall barley, wheat and other fall seeded small grains planted in fall of 2012, report by December 15 (for 2012, reports are due by **12/17/2012**).

**NOTE**-Failed acreage must be reported within 15 days of the disaster event and before disposition of the crop. Prevented planting must be reported no later than 15 days after the final planting date (see center page).

**Please contact your local FSA offices to report acreage timely.**

***“Producers are reminded of the importance of accurate crop acreage reporting is very important.*”**

***Many programs, including crop insurance, rely heavily on these reports and it is important they reflect the correct planting dates, acres and shares.***

***Inaccurate acreage reports may result in loss of benefits for producers. This includes all hay and grazed acres.”***

## Election Timeline:

**June 15, 2012**

The nomination period begins. Request nomination forms from the local USDA Service Center or obtain online at: <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/elections>

**Aug. 1, 2012**

Last day to file nomination forms at the local USDA Service Center

**Nov. 5, 2012**

Ballots mailed to eligible voters

**Dec. 3, 2012**

Last day to return voted ballots to the USDA Service Center

**Jan. 1, 2013**

Newly elected county committee members take office.

## 2012 District 5 County Committee Election Areas

The FSA County Committee Elections are held each year. Nominations will be accepted for a person from the following area to serve their counties for a three year term effective January 2013 .

County	LAA	Townships
Boone	2	Perche, Katy, Missouri, Rock Bridge
Callaway	3	Shamrock, Nine Mile Prairie, Auxvasse, St. Aubert, Caldwell, Cote Sans Dessein
Cole/Miller	2	Osage, Liberty
	5	Glaze, Richwood, South Equality, South Osage
Franklin	3	Meramec, Boone, Lyon west of Hwy 185
Gasconade	3	Canaan, Brush Creek, Bourbois
Moniteau	2	Linn, Walker
Montgomery	3	Prairie, Upper Loutre
Morgan	3	Moreau, Osage
Osage	1	Benton, Linn
	2	Jackson, Washington
St. Charles/St. Louis	3	St. Charles, Portage
Warren	3	Hickory Grove, parts of South Elkhorn and Charette.

## Expiring CRP Contracts:

CRP cover may be destroyed beginning July 1 of the final year of the *General* CRP contract only to begin preparation of a seedbed for fall-seeded crops. CRP participants with certain expiring acres, who intend to destroy cover for preparation for fall-seeded crops, will need a **pre-authorization** from FSA. There is not a payment reduction for the CRP acres, however, the participant will be in violation if they fail to plant a fall-seeded crop in a normal manner.

The request can be submitted anytime during the final year of the contract. Authorization can only be granted after a completed CRP-1G (Modification to Allow Early Preparation) is reviewed and approved by the County Committee.

## Sale of Land under CRP Contract

Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) participants who sell land under CRP contract are reminded to get a successor-in-interest to their contract. One way is to have a sales contract prepared that requires the new owner to assume the CRP contract. Failure of the buyer to assume a contract will result in the original owner having to refund all CRP rental payments, cost share payments, and incentive payments, plus interest and liquidated damages.

Local County FSA Committees have no authority but to terminate a CRP contract when the CRP participant loses control of the land without a successor-in-interest to the contract. Please call or visit your local County FSA Office before you sell land that is currently in a CRP contract.

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## Direct and Guaranteed Loans

The Farm Service Agency (FSA) makes and guarantees loans to family farmers and ranchers to promote, build and sustain family farms in support of a thriving agricultural economy.

Some farmers and ranchers meet their credit needs through the use of FSA loan guarantees. A guaranteed loan is granted and serviced by a commercial lender, and FSA guarantees it against loss up to a maximum percentage provided required qualifications are met. Farmers not meeting the qualifications for a loan guarantee can request an FSA direct loan. An FSA direct loan is granted and serviced by an FSA official.

Use of funds for direct and guaranteed loans includes but is not limited to purchase of a farm, purchase of equipment and purchase of livestock.

## Producer Program Information

Farm Service Agency is providing a link to the Missouri FSA homepage. Visit the website at [www.fsa.usda.gov/mo](http://www.fsa.usda.gov/mo) and on the right side of the screen in the "I Want To..." section, click on "View 2012 Producer Reminders".

This site will provide reminders concerning FSA administrative functions such as Direct Deposit and County Committees, and FSA program information such as Signups and Acreage Reporting dates.

Visiting this site periodically will keep you current with the latest program information and signup deadlines.

## Farm Storage Facility Loan Program

It's not too soon to be thinking about plans for crop storage this fall. Or perhaps you could use a place to store your hay crop this summer. The Farm Storage Facility Loan (FSFL) program allows producers of eligible commodities to obtain low-interest financing to build or upgrade farm storage and handling facilities.

Applications for a FSFL must be submitted to the FSA county office that maintains the farm's records and be approved before any site preparation or construction can begin. Commodities eligible for farm storage facility loans include the traditional feed grains, as well as hay, renewable biomass, fruits, vegetables and honey. Ask your local office for complete eligibility requirements.

The maximum principal amount of a loan through FSFL is \$500,000. A minimum 15 percent down payment is required, with CCC providing a loan for the remaining 85 percent of the net cost of the facility. Currently, the interest rate for a 7-year FSFL loan is 1.375%.

## Commodity Loan Rates

*2012 County loan rates for wheat, corn, grain sorghum and soybeans are available at your local office or on the Farm Service Agency Web site:*  
[www.fsa.usda.gov](http://www.fsa.usda.gov)

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Check with your local office for COC meeting dates and times.

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## Dates to Remember

## Actions To Take Now

May 28	<b>Memorial Day Holiday.</b> FSA Offices Closed.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Check Conservation Compliance.</li> </ul>
May 31	Final Date to Request 2011-Crop Corn, Soybean, Grain Sorghum Grain Loans.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Farm Storage Facility Loans.</li> </ul>
June 1	Sign Up Ends for 2012 DCP/ACRE .	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continuous Conservation Reserve Program.</li> </ul>
June 1	Sign Up Ends for 2010 SURE Program.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sign up for eAlerts at the FSA Office.</li> </ul>
July 3	Final Date to Report Fall and Spring-seeded Small Grains.	<p align="center"><b>Primary Nesting Season—May 1st through July 15th</b> <b><u>NO</u> CRP Maintenance During These Dates</b></p>
July 4	<b>Independence Day.</b> FSA Offices Closed.	
July 16	Final Crop Reports Due For CRP, Corn, Soybeans, Grain Sorghum, Hay/Pasture.	

## 2012 Final Planting Dates for Crop Insurance

Corn-May 25 ( Morgan, Miller & Maries Counties)

Corn-May 31 (all other counties)

Grain Sorghum-June 20

Soybeans- June 20

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### FSA's GovDelivery

Farm Service Agency offices are quickly moving toward a paperless operation. County office personnel are asking producers to enroll in the new GovDelivery system which will provide notices, newsletters and electronic reminders instead of a hard copy through the mail.

FSA is trying to work smarter and be more efficient. Moving to electronic notifications via email will help conserve resources and save taxpayer dollars.

Missouri has introduced FSA eAlerts—a new way to receive FSA program reminders via e-mail or text. Sign up for eAlerts at your County Office and choose whether you would like to receive information via e-mail, text or both. You can opt out of receiving FSA eAlerts at any time.

*Change in  
 Address , Contact Information  
 Bank Account, Land Ownership?  
 Please contact your FSA office to update your  
 information!  
 It helps us serve you better.*

### Clearing Land???

Landowners and operators are reminded that in order to receive payments from USDA, compliance with Highly Erodible Land (HEL) and Wetland Conservation (WC) provisions are required. **Violations of the so-called “Sodbuster” and “Swampbuster” Acts of the 1985 Farm Bill can result in loss and/or required repayment of ALL farm program benefits now and in the future until the land is restored to its previous state as determined by USDA.**

It is of the utmost importance that **PRIOR** to ANY land clearing or wetland manipulation activity, producers notify either FSA or NRCS to complete form AD-1026 and request an official determination. Something as simple as clearing a fence row or converting a pasture into cropland could result in losing USDA benefits.

Many times producers are unaware of what USDA considers a wetland which makes prior notification even more critical. Having an up-to-date conservation plan and complying with it is crucial.

Selected Interest Rates for May 2012	
Farm Operating Loans — Direct	1.500%
Farm Ownership and Conservation Loans — Direct	3.500%
Limited Resource Loans	5.000%
Farm Ownership Loans —Beginning Farmer Down Payment	1.500%
Emergency Loans	3.750%
Farm Storage Facility Loan -- 7 year	1.500%
Farm Storage Facility Loan -- 10 year	2.125%
Farm Storage Facility Loan -- 12 year	2.375%
Commodity Grain Loans	1.125%

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