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**Hours**  
 Monday – Friday  
 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM

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 Mary Ann Fowles, Advisor  
 (Committee meets at 9:00 a.m.  
 on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wed. of the Month)

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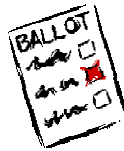
DATES TO REMEMBER
<b>March 31 – Final date for Loan or LDP on 2006 Wheat</b>
<b>May 28 – Office Closed for Holiday</b>
<b>May 31 – Final Date for Loan or LDP on 2006 Feed Grains</b>
<b>June 1 – Final Date for 2007 DCP signatures</b>
<b>June 1 – Final Date for Wheat Acreage Reports</b>



**February 2007**

# Clay County FSA News

## Committee Election Results



The Clay County FSA Committee has announced the results of the recent election for the committee position in Local Administrative Area (LAA) #3. Elected for this 3 year term is: **Dennis McKale**. Serving as Alternate to this position is Kim Y. Kramer. We would like to express a sincere "Thank You" to Robert Kobetich, for the past 9 years of dedicated service he has provided Clay County farmers as FSA's County Committeeman.

## FSA County Committee Advisor

Evelyn Nelson also deserves a sincere "Thank You" for serving as the Clay County Committee Advisor for the last 9 years. She has provided important insight to specific problems facing under-represented groups, as well as valuable outreach information. The new Clay County Committee Advisor that the Kansas State FSA Committee has appointed **Mary Ann Fowles**.

## Loan and LDP Deadlines

The final date to request a CCC commodity loan or LDP on 2006 wheat, oats, or barley is **March 31, 2007**. The deadline to submit loan or LDP applications for the 2006 corn, grain sorghum, soybeans, and sunflowers is **May 31, 2007**.

For the 2007 LDP payments, participants will need to sign the form CCC633EZ, page 1, before crops are harvested.

## Acreage Reporting Deadline

We are taking appointments for producers to certify 2007 wheat acreages. We will once again utilize GIS imagery to certify on the computer. Please call ahead so we can make sure we have all necessary record and map changes completed before your visit. The final date to file acreage reports for the 2007 crop of wheat, oats or barley is **Friday, June 1, 2007**. Acreage reports are required to be eligible for 2007 DCP payments, NAP coverage, commodity loans and Loan Deficiency Payments (LDPs).

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## **DCP – Direct & Counter-Cyclical Program Signup**

**Signup** is underway for the DCP 2007 program year. The final date to sign into the DCP program is **June 1, 2007**.

**Advance direct payments** of 22% can be requested any month through September 2007. The final direct payment will be made in October 2007. Advance counter-cyclical (CC) payments may also be requested.

## **NAP Information**

**March 15, 2007** is the final application date for 2007 fruits, vegetables, sorghum for forage and other spring planted forage crops.



### **NAP reminders –**

- Producers with losses are to notify FSA within 15 days of the loss. As with crop insurance, the crop is not to be destroyed until released by a NAP crop loss adjuster.
- Producers are required to report their NAP acres timely. Producers with grazing coverage need to report the pasture acres before moving the livestock to pasture. Also, alfalfa must be reported before the first cutting is harvested.
- Producers are to provide bale counts and weights when reporting production of baled crops. We must have verifiable weights of the bales. The time to verify production is at the completion of harvest. The production needs to be reported so it is verifiable and has not been fed.

## **2006 Program Payments**

In previous years, FSA has provided producer refund information on CCC-1099-G as a customer service. Since there is no IRS requirement to do so, refunds will no longer be reported on 1099's. This includes CRP participants with a payment reduction for haying/grazing activity reduced from their annual rental payment.

Refund information is available by contacting the county office or by accessing Financial Inquiries for participants with on-line access. Participants wanting to access a "Customer Statement" of their payments and refunds on-line may do so if they have a Level 2 Access account. With Level 2 Access many program benefits can also be requested on your home computer, including e-LDPs and enrolling in DCP. To set up your account, visit the USDA website located at [www.usda.gov](http://www.usda.gov). On the bar titled My USDA, click "New User". After you complete the initial set-up, you will need to visit the local FSA office so that we can verify you as the actual user of the account.