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Guaranteed Loan Program News

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This newsletter is sent to you in our continued effort to keep you updated on guaranteed loan issues. Comments and questions may be directed to your local office or to the State Farm Loan Programs Staff at (785) 587-8709. The Farm Loan Programs Chief can be e-mailed at arlyn.stiebe@ks.usda.gov. Other FSA staff can be e-mailed by using their first and last name in a format similar to the above address. Visit us on the web at http://www.usda.fsa.gov/ks.

Lender Training Dates Scheduled!

FSA's annual lender training meetings have been scheduled! Please choose a site convenient to you and your calendar - no reservations are required. We plan to update lenders on new and amended program changes along with discussing other general issues as shown on the next page. The seven meetings that have been scheduled across Kansas may have a change in the time of day than what you were used to - so please note the date **and** time. We understand that being out of your office serving your customers is important and we hope that the half-day format minimizes the time out of

your office while still providing you with the information you need to make and service FSA guaranteed loans.

<u>Information regarding each location is attached.</u> All lenders (regardless of lender status) are invited and encouraged to attend! This will serve as annual lender training for PLP and CLP compliance. All lenders are encouraged to bring colleagues that work with FSA guaranteed loans. It is also important that the loan officer/staff that works with the guaranteed loan program at your branch locations choose a site to attend. It is better to hear the information first-hand than through one individual representing the lender for all branches. We look forward to seeing you at the meeting!

Persons with disabilities who require accommodations to attend or participate in this meeting should contact Shelly Wolf at (785) 587-8709, or Federal Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339, and e-mail at shelly.wolf@ks.usda.gov at least one week before the meeting.

2-FLP Handbook Amendments

Please remember to keep your 2-FLP handbook up-to-date by regularly checking for recent amendments that are posted to the FSA website. To access the online handbook without keeping a paper copy of the manual – add this link to your favorites: http://www.fsa.usda.gov/Internet/FSA_File/2-flp.pdf. The latest amendments and to sign up for guaranteed loan updates can be found at: http://www.fsa.usda.gov/dafl/guaranteed.htm.



2008 Crop Year Buy-in for Disaster Assistance Programs:

On June 18, 2008 within the 2008 Farm Bill, five new disaster programs were introduced. They are collectively referred to as Supplemental Agriculture Disaster Assistance Programs. If producers who were eligible to obtain at least CAT level crop insurance or NAP, but did not, can "buy-in" to be eligible to participate in the disaster assistance programs. Producers are allowed to pay a "buy-in fee" at their County FSA office by the deadline date of September 16, 2008. More information regarding the 2008 Disaster Assistance Programs can be found at www.fsa.usda.gov/FSA by accessing FSA Fact Sheets. As a lender, please be aware that these disaster programs may be assigned to you. A few disaster programs of interest may be Livestock Forage (LFP); Livestock Indemnity (LIP) or the newest named Supplemental Revenue Assistance Payments Program (SURE). These program benefits can be included on Form CCC-36, Assignment of Payment (or CCC-37) through 2012 since it is an announced program. You will need to show an amount on the form for the program; however, there is one pay limit of \$100,000.00 for SURE, LFP, and LIP combined. You can list more than one program in the "other" block, but you must specify the dollar amount for each program that you list.

Some Topics of Interest to be Covered at Lender Training:

- ✓ Subordinations
- ✓ Monitoring LOC Annual Operating Loans
- ✓ Market placement
- ✓ FSA's changes to the direct beginning farmer down-payment program and loan limits
- ✓ Liquidation and loss claim changes
- ✓ Obtaining forms and submitting application packages online
- ✓ Submitting reports online through FSA's guaranteed loan system

Refer to the attached schedule and add it to your calendar today!



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2008 FSA Guaranteed Lender Meetings

Date/	Site	Directions
Time		If directions provided are not clear, please contact your
		local FSA Farm Loan Programs staff.
Oct 15	Northwest Kansas	703 W. 2 nd Ave, Oakley
	Educational Service Center	http://www.nkesc.org/
1:00 p.m.	703 W. 2 nd Ave	Once in Oakley on the west edge, at the Buffalo Bill statue
1	Oakley, KS	on US 83 travel east about 1/4 mile on 2nd Street. The
		facility is on the south side of 2nd St.
Oct 16	Western Kansas Ag	1232 240th Ave., Banquet Room, Hays
	Research Center	http://www.wkarc.org/
9:30 a.m.	(Experimental Station)	Traveling West on I-70, take Exit 159 -or- East on I-70,
	1232 240 th Ave	take Exit 157. Traveling south down Vine Street when you
	Hays, KS	reach the Hwy 183 bypass, turn back to the west and travel
		west to 240th Ave Driving directions are available on their
		website.
Oct 28	K-State at Salina	2310 Centennial Road, Salina
	College Center Building	http://www.salina.k-state.edu/
9:30 a.m.	2310 Centennial Rd.	From I-135 take the Magnolia Exit 90. Go west to
	Salina, KS	Centennial Road. Turn north @ stoplight & proceed to KSU
		Salina campus which is on the west side of Centennial
		Road. Once on the campus, turn left to the parking lot on
		the south side of the College Center Building.
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Oct 29	Lee Richardson Zoo	Finnup Center Lecture Hall @ Zoo, Garden City
1 1 7 *	Finnup Ctr Lecture Hall	www.garden-city.org/zoo/GeneralInfo/Directions
1:15 p.m*	Garden City, KS	From Hwy 83 (Main St), take Finnup Dr. (between RR
		tracks and Arkansas River bridge) east to Fourth St. *~The building is closed from 12 – 1 p.m.~
Oct 30	Pratt County 4-H Building	www.prattcountyextension.com
000	South 281 Hwy & KS 64	The Pratt County Fairgrounds are located south of Pratt.
9:30 a.m.	Pratt, KS	Turning east off of Hwy 281 onto the Lake Road, also
3.50 a.m.	Trace, its	known as Kansas Hwy 64, the entrance to the fairgrounds is
		about ¼ mile east on the south side.
Nov 5	Neosho Comm College	800 W. 14th, Chanute
	Student Union	Take Hwy 75 S to Hwy 39 into Chanute. Go to South
1:00 p.m.	Oak Room	Plummer Ave, go south on S. Plummer to 14th St. Go East
•	800 W. 14th	on 14th to campus. Student Union can be accessed from
	Chanute, KS	parking lot #2 off 14th Street.
		www.neosho.edu
Nov 6	Shawnee County Farm	Farm Bureau Insurance, 3801 SW Wanamaker, Topeka
	Bureau	Individuals need to park on the south side of the building
9:30 a.m.	3801 SW Wanamaker	and enter the south doors.
	Topeka, KS	Driving directions are available from the FSA County Office
	(785) 273-7077	or off the web: http://maps.google.com/