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Laramie County Comments

Happy February Laramie County Farmers and Ranchers!

The Agricultural Risk Coverage and Price Loss Coverage Programs are open for signups until March 15th. Please give us a call to sign up, if you haven't already!

If you received an Emergency Relief 2022 Track 1 application in the mail or are interested in applying for Track 2; we do not have a deadline yet, but applications are being taken and paid now.

Don't forget your sweetheart on Valentine's day - Wednesday - February 14th!

And lastly; come join us at the FSA office on Friday, February 23rd from 2 - 4 p.m. to celebrate Karla's 10th anniversary of working at FSA; congratulations Karla!

Thank you for everything you do!

-Laramie County FSA

An open house will be held February 16th at the Laramie County Conservation District headquarters. Please Stop by Between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. to provide input on priority resource concerns in Laramie County (See below for more information).

-Laramie County NRCS

The office will be closed on Monday, February 19th in observance of George Washington's Birthday Holiday (President's Day).

-Laramie County FSA & NRCS

Signature Policy

Using the correct signature when doing business with FSA can save time and prevent a delay in program benefits.

The following are FSA signature guidelines:

- A married woman must sign her given name: Mrs. Mary Doe, not Mrs. John Doe
- For a minor, FSA requires the minor's signature and one from the minor's parent

Note, by signing a document with a minor, the parent is liable for actions of the minor and may be liable for refunds, liquidated damages, etc.

When signing on one's behalf the signature must agree with the name typed or printed on the form or be a variation that does not cause the name and signature to be in disagreement. Example - John W. Smith is on the form. The signature may be John W. Smith or J.W. Smith or J. Smith. Or Mary J. Smith may be signed as Mrs. Mary Joe Smith, M.J. Smith, Mary Smith, etc.

FAXED signatures will be accepted for certain forms and other documents provided the acceptable program forms are approved for FAXED signatures. Producers are responsible for the successful transmission and receipt of FAXED information.

Spouses may sign documents on behalf of each other for FSA and CCC programs in which either has an interest, unless written notification denying a spouse this authority has been provided to the county office.

Spouses cannot sign on behalf of each other as an authorized signatory for partnerships, joint ventures, corporations or other similar entities. Likewise, a spouse cannot sign a document on behalf of the other in order to affirm the eligibility of oneself.

Any member of a general partnership can sign on behalf of the general partnership and bind all members unless the Articles of Partnership are more restrictive. Spouses may sign on behalf of each other's individual interest in a partnership, unless notification denying a spouse that authority is provided to the county office. Acceptable signatures for general partnerships, joint ventures, corporations, estates, and trusts must consist of an indicator "by" or "for" the individual's name, individual's name and capacity, or individual's name, capacity, and name of entity.

For additional clarification on proper signatures contact your local FSA office.

Submit Loan Requests for Financing Early

The Farm Loan team in Platte County is already working on operating loans for spring 2024 and asks potential borrowers to submit their requests early so they can be timely processed. The farm loan team can help determine which loan programs are best for applicants.

FSA offers a wide range of low-interest loans that can meet the financial needs of any farm operation for just about any purpose. The traditional **farm operating and farm ownership loans** can help large and small farm operations take advantage of early purchasing discounts for spring inputs as well expenses throughout the year.

Microloans are a simplified loan program that will provide up to \$50,000 for both Farm Ownership and Operating Microloans to eligible applicants. These loans, targeted for smaller and non-traditional operations, can be used for operating expenses, starting a new operation, purchasing equipment, and other needs associated with a farming operation. Loans to beginning farmers and members of underserved groups are a priority.

Other types of loans available include:

Marketing Assistance Loans allow producers to use eligible commodities as loan collateral and obtain a 9-month loan while the crop is in storage. These loans provide cash flow to the producer and allow them to market the crop when prices may be more advantageous.

Farm Storage Facility Loans can be used to build permanent structures used to store eligible commodities, for storage and handling trucks, or portable or permanent handling equipment. A variety of structures are eligible under this loan, including bunker silos, grain bins, hay storage structures, and refrigerated structures for vegetables and fruit. A producer may borrow up to \$500,000 per loan.

Local Work Group Open House for Laramie County Residents

LOCAL WORK GROUP OPEN HOUSE

Hosted By: Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and the Laramie County Conservation District (LCCD)



LOCAL INPUT NEEDED

To Determine Natural Resource Conservation Priorities and Project Opportunities Within Laramie County

An Open House Will Be Held February 16th at The Laramie County Conservation District Headquarters. Please Stop by Between 9:00 am and 3:00 pm to Provide Input on Priority Resource Concerns in Laramie County.

Laramie County Residents

The Laramie County Conservation District and Natural Resources Conservation Service are holding an open house intended for residents who are interested in helping determine natural resource priorities and opportunities for conservation projects within Laramie County. Residents, agricultural producers, agricultural and environmental organizations, and representatives of local agencies carrying out natural resource conservation activities are all invited to stop by and provide input.

Laramie County Conservation District:
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What Concerns You?

Plants 	Animals 	
Water 	Energy 	
Soil 		





Laramie County

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Next County Committee Meeting:

TBD