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## Sweetwater/Sublette/Uinta County FSA Updates

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**Next County Committee**

**Meeting:** TBD

### **NAP Purchase Deadline Approaching**

The deadline to purchase catastrophic NAP insurance coverage on 2016 crops in Wyoming is **April 1, 2016**. The NAP service fee (basic coverage) is \$250 per crop. The 2014 Farm Bill allows producers to choose higher levels, up to 65% of their expected production at 100% of the average market price, of NAP coverage for additional premiums. Basic coverage is 55% of the average market price for crop losses that exceed 50% of expected production. Participants may receive both NAP grazing payments and LFP (Livestock Forage Program) payments in the same crop year, in the event of qualifying losses. Please contact the Sweetwater/Sublette – Uinta County office prior to the deadline if you are interested in participating in NAP.

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### **2016 Election Results**

LAA #3 in Sublette County elected Pete Arambel; and LAA #4 in Sublette County elected Penny Chrisman.

LAA#2 in Uinta County elected Wes Lupher.

Congratulations and thank you for serving your fellow farmers and ranchers.

### **ARC/PLC**

Short for Agriculture Risk Coverage and Program and Price Loss Coverage Program, is designed to provide revenue and price loss payments to eligible producers for 2014 – 2018 crop years. This program replaces the old DCP program for grain farmers. ARC/PLC sign-up is December 7, 2015 through **August 1, 2016**. It is the producer's responsibility to enroll ARC/PLC farms annually by the deadline.

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## **Livestock Indemnity Program (LIP)**

LIP provides benefits to livestock producers who suffered death losses in excess of normal mortality caused by adverse weather conditions or attacks by animals reintroduced into the wild by the federal government or are protected by federal law. LIP payments are equal to 75% of the market value (as determined by the Secretary).

### ***What do I need to apply?***

- Documentation of the number and kind of livestock that died including, but not limited to, pictures, purchase records, vet records, bank/loan documents, contracts, tax documents, insurance documents etc.
- Documentation of inventory numbers prior to the losses and ending inventory numbers by livestock type.

### ***When Can I apply?***

For years 2015 and subsequent, file a notice of loss no more than 30 days after loss is apparent. Application for payment and supporting documentation must be filed by January 30 of the following calendar year.

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## **Emergency Livestock Assistance Program (ELAP)**

ELAP provides up to \$20 million per fiscal year for emergency assistance to eligible producers of livestock, honeybees and farm-raised fish. ELAP covers losses due to eligible adverse weather conditions. ELAP covers losses that are not otherwise covered by LFP or LIP.

Eligible livestock losses that may be covered by ELAP include

- Livestock death losses
- Grazing losses
- Feed losses – of purchased feed, harvested feed, additional costs to transport feed to livestock, purchase of additional feed during eligible weather condition
- Water hauling

### ***When Can I apply?***

For years 2015 and subsequent, file a notice of loss no more than 30 days after loss is apparent. Application for payment and supporting documentation must be filed by November 1 after the program year that the loss occurred.

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