



YOLO COUNTY FSA NEWS



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Yolo County FSA

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Hours:

Monday – Friday
8:00 AM – 4:30 PM

County Committee:

Bob Paschoal, Chair
Tom Slater, Vice Chair
Marlene Schuler, Member
Rudy Lucero Jr., Advisor

The COC meets the third Tuesday following the third Monday of each month

County Executive

Director:

Marianne A. Morton

County Office Staff:

Nathan Bohl
Beth Collier
Dee DeLuca
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Caroline Walgenbach



Closed September 6th in observance of Labor Day

LOW-DOC OPERATING LOANS AVAILABLE

The Low-Documentation Operating Loan is made to eligible applicants based on reduced documentation or paperwork. Lo-Doc loans are available to producers with operating loan requests of \$50,000 or less (as long as their total FSA debt will not exceed \$100,000 at the time of loan closing) or to existing FSA borrowers who have made timely payments for at least two previous annual operating loans with FSA.

Prospective applicants must be current on all payments to all creditors and must not have received primary loan servicing on any FSA debt within the last five years.

Call the local Farm Loan team in the Yuba City office at (530) 671-0850 for more information.

FEDS, FARMERS & FRIENDS FEED FAMILIES PROGRAM

When school lets out for the summer, youngsters who receive free and reduced price meals

through the National School Lunch and School Breakfast programs are at a higher risk of going hungry. These tough economic times mean that needy families across America are increasingly turning to emergency food assistance agencies (such as food banks, pantries and soup kitchens) to put food on the table at the same time these agencies are experiencing a decrease in donations. The good news, however, is that our opportunity to make a difference is great.



This summer, USDA is sponsoring the Feds, Farmers and Friends Feed Families program. Our office has a box where you may leave non-perishable food items through August 31st to be donated to a local food closet. So, join us in this effort to help Yolo's own.

LAA-1 COUNTY COMMITTEE ELECTION

Nominations for candidates to run for the Farm Service Agency County Committee (COC) election representing producers Local Administrative Area (LAA) 1 (Rumsey, Guinda, Brooks, Capay, Esparto, Madison and Winters) will be accepted through August 2, 2010.

County Committees play a crucial role in helping county office staff implement the 2008 Farm Bill. FSA COC members make decisions on disaster, conservation, emergency, commodity price support and loan programs and other important agricultural issues. Committees consist of three to five members who are elected by eligible local producers. Members serve three-year terms.

Producers are encouraged to nominate eligible candidates. To become a nominee, eligible individuals must sign form FSA-669A, available in this issue, at FSA County Offices or online at <http://www.fsa.usda.gov>. This form allows individuals to nominate themselves or any other person as a candidate. Each form submitted must be:

- ◆ Limited to one nominee
- ◆ Signed and dated by the nominee in Item 4. Nominee must sign if willing to have his/her name placed on the ballot

and agrees to serve if elected

- ◆ Delivered to the County FSA Office or postmarked no later than August 2nd

Persons nominated should actively participate in the operation of a farm or ranch and be well qualified for committee work. A producer is eligible if s/he resides in the LAA in which the election is to be held and is eligible to vote. The duties of FSA COC members include:

- ◆ Administering farm program activities conducted by the County FSA Office;
- ◆ Informing farmers of the purpose and provisions of FSA programs
- ◆ Keeping the State FSA Committee informed of LAA conditions
- ◆ Monitoring changes in farm programs
- ◆ Participating in county meetings as necessary
- ◆ Performing other duties as assigned by the State FSA Committee

Este formulario permite a los individuos nominarse o nominar a otra persona como candidato. Cada formulario sometido debe:

- ◆ Limitarse a un nominado
- ◆ El nominado debe firma y fechar el punto 4 y si está dispuesto a que su nombre aparezca en la lista de votación y acuerda ser miembro si es elegido
- ◆ Entregarse a la Oficina FSA del Condado o enviarse antes del 2 de agosto

Las personas nominadas deben participar activamente en la operación de una granja o rancho y estar bien capacitadas para el trabajo del comité. Un productor es elegible para ser miembro del comité si reside en el Área Administrativa Local (LAA) en la que se realizará la elección y si es elegible para votar.

Las obligaciones de los miembros del Comité FSA del Condado incluyen:

- ◆ Administrar las actividades de los programas para granjas realizados por la Oficina FSA del Condado;
- ◆ Informar a los granjeros sobre el propósito y las disposiciones de los programas FSA
- ◆ Mantener al Comité FSA Estatal informado sobre las condiciones LAA
- ◆ Monitorear los cambios en los programas par alas granjas
- ◆ Participar en las juntas del condado según sea necesario
- ◆ Realizar otras obligaciones asignadas por el Comité FSA Estatal

Ballots will be mailed by November 5th; the election will be held on December 6, 2010.



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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
Farm Service Agency

NOMINATION FORM FOR COUNTY FSA COMMITTEE ELECTION

1. NAME OF NOMINEE (Type or Print Nominee's Full Name)

TO BE COMPLETED BY COUNTY FSA OFFICE	
4. INITIALS OF EMPLOYEE RECEIVING FORM AND DATE RECEIVED	
5. COUNTY	
6. LAA	7. STATE

2. ADDRESS OF NOMINEE

3. NOMINEE'S CERTIFICATION:

I hereby agree to have my name placed on the ballot, that I will serve if elected, and if there is a conflict of interest, I will resign such position.

- I DO want to witness the settling of tied votes with another nominee.
- I DO NOT want to witness the settling of tied votes with another nominee.

8. NOMINATOR'S CERTIFICATION:

If this nomination is by other than self, the following eligible voter or representative of a community based organization hereby nominates the afore-named person to be a candidate in the next County FSA Committee election for the county.

3A. SIGNATURE OF NOMINEE

3B. DATE

8A. SIGNATURE OF NOMINATOR

8B. DATE

Check here if nominee is a write-in candidate.

(If the individual is self nominating, no signature is required).

9. TO BE COMPLETED BY NOMINEE

VOLUNTARY INFORMATION FOR MONITORING PURPOSES: The following information is requested by the Federal Government in order to monitor FSA's compliance with federal laws prohibiting discrimination against program participants on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, marital status, handicapped condition, or age. You are not required to furnish this information, but are encouraged to do so. This information will not be used in evaluating your nomination or to discriminate against you in any way.

ETHNICITY	RACE (Choose as many boxes as applicable)	GENDER
<input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic or Latino <input type="checkbox"/> Not Hispanic or Latino	<input type="checkbox"/> American Indian or Alaska Native <input type="checkbox"/> Asian <input type="checkbox"/> White <input type="checkbox"/> Black or African-American <input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THIS FORM

Complete the form as follows:

ITEM 1 Type or Print the nominee's full name. The nominee must be:

- A. Eligible to vote in the designated County FSA Committee election.
- B. Eligible to hold the office of County FSA Committee member.
- C. Willing to serve if elected.

ITEM 2 Enter the nominee's current address.

ITEM 3 The nominee must check one of the boxes to indicate a preference regarding the settling of tied votes.

ITEMS 3A & 3B The nominee must sign and date.

ITEMS 8A & 8B The nominator must sign and date. (If the individual is self nominating, no signature is required.)

ITEM 9 Completing this item is voluntary.

ALL FORMS MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE COUNTY OFFICE OR POSTMARKED BY AUGUST 2, 2010.

NOTE: The following statement is made in accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 USC 552a - as amended). The authority for requesting the information identified on this form is the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 (Pub. L. 110-246). The information will be used to obtain nominees for election to the County FSA Committee. The information collected on this form may be disclosed to other Federal, State, Local government agencies, Tribal agencies, and nongovernmental entities that have been authorized access to the information by statute or regulation and/or as described in applicable Routine Uses identified in the System of Records Notice for County Personnel Records, USDA/FSA-6. Providing the requested information is voluntary. However, failure to furnish the requested information will result in a determination of ineligibility for nomination for election to the County FSA Committee.

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is 0560-0229. The time required to complete this information collection is estimated to average 10 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. The provisions of appropriate criminal and civil fraud, privacy, and other statutes may be applicable to the information provided. RETURN THIS COMPLETED FORM TO YOUR COUNTY FSA OFFICE.

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IMPORTANT DATES

7/15/2010	2010 spring-seeded acreage reporting deadline
8/02/2010	NAP ACD – 2011 fall-planted seed and multi-planting crops Deadline to request a 2010 farm reconstitution Deadline to submit an LAA-1 Election Nomination form
9/01/2010	NAP ACD – 2011 garbanzo bean, forage seed, value loss and controlled environment crops
9/06/2010	Labor Day – office closed

*ACD – Application closing date

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