



USDA Alaska Farm Service Agency

Farm Program Updates

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Program Deadlines

- Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) General Sign-Up
 - Submit an offer by February 28, 2020
- Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) Coverage
 - Annual spring planted crops deadline of March 15, 2020
- Agriculture Risk Coverage and Price Loss Coverage Programs (ARC/PLC)
 - 2019 enrollment by March 16, 2020

Industrial Hemp

- Authorized in the 2018 Farm Bill hemp is now recognized as an agricultural commodity
 - Crop Reporting (fiber, grain, seed, or CBD)
 - Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) Coverage
 - Farm Loan Program (FLP)
 - Farm Storage Facility Loan Program (FSFL)

RTCP

- Reimbursement Transportation Cost Payment (RTCP) Program
 - Reauthorized in 2018 Farm Bill through 2023
 - Reimburse up to 25 percent of shipping costs associated with growing and marketing agricultural production
 - \$8,000 cap per farm


Farm Loan Programs

- Loans can be made to produce Hemp
 - Farm must follow AMS requirements
 - Approved license to grow
 - Require a sales contract from buyer
- Direct Loan Limits Increased
 - Farm Ownership Loans – \$600,000
 - Operating Loans - \$400,000
- Micro FO and OL loans - \$50,000
 - Application process geared towards smaller farms



Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP)

- Insures against losses due to adverse weather events and natural disasters
 - Covers crops not insured by FCIC
 - CAT level
 - Buy Up is available
 - Cover losses up to 65% of approved yields and 100% of average market price
 - Organic Crops provisions and Direct Market sales prices



Livestock Disaster Assistance Programs

- Payments made to producers in the event of livestock deaths or feed losses due to adverse weather events or natural disasters
- Reliable inventory and/or crop records prior to the disaster are required in order to determine the loss

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