

Agricultural News

By Warden Alexander, FSA Director

Crop Reports

Producers with crops such as tobacco, corn, soybeans, hay, pasture, vegetable, etc. may report the planted acres to the FSA office now through July 15, 2002.

All farms with an effective quota greater than zero (0) must file a FSA 578, Report of Crop Acreage, no later than July 1st. Reports filed after the deadline will be subject to a late fee. Marketing cards will NOT be issued without a crop report on file.

Farms with an effective quota that will not plant or lease quota away from the farm MUST file a quota acreage report, or the farm will be subject to quota forfeiture for the applicable burley marketing quota not established for the farm, unless the State Committee and the County Committee determine that the reduction is not applicable.

We strongly urge producers to contact the office and request an appointment prior to filing the report.

You may do so by calling 256-2525 extension 100.

2002 Marketing Year

Penalty Rates
The U.S. Department of Agriculture today announced the penalty rates that will be charged producers, dealers and warehouse operators for marketing excess tobacco during the 2002 marketing year.

According to James R. Little, Administrator of USDA's Farm Service Agency, the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 Section 314, as amended, provides for these penalties and sets a penalty rate of 78 percent of the average market price for that kind of tobacco for the previous market year. For the 2002 market year Burley tobacco (type 31) the rate of penalty shall be \$1.48 per pound.

Burley Tobacco Leasing
Producers may lease burley tobacco quota effective immediately through July 1st. Producers may list quota for lease on the bulletin board

space by way of contacting the county office either in person or by telephone.

Warehouse Designation

As a condition of price support beginning with the 2001 crop year for tobacco, producers were required to inform FSA of the warehouse where they would market tobacco. This is acquired by completing the form FSA 808, Warehouse Designation, to indicate where the tobacco will be sold. Initial designation will end August 1, 2003. Producers are encouraged to complete this form after all lease and transfers have been updated. After the initial designation period ends producers will be limited to designate for the farm to any one day during the following regular redesignation periods:

September 30-October 4, 2002, with card effective October 14, 2002.
October 28-November 1, 2002, with card effective November 11, 2002.

December 02-December 06, 2002, with card effective December 16, 2002.

December 27-January 3, 2003, with card effective January 13, 2003.
The warehouse will be indicated with a number on the market card. Therefore, if you decide to market at a warehouse other than the one specified on the card, you must return that card to the FSA office in specific time periods to request another marketing card.

FSA has a listing for public notice of warehouses, receiving stations and dealers posted on the bulletin board in the county office available through March 31, 2003.

Tobacco Spot Checks

Producers who have reported unmarketed tobacco stored on the farms are subject for random spot checks. Spot checks are performed by local FSA personnel to verify the amount of tobacco reported. These spot checks will be carried out in the next few months. If you have moved tobacco from where you first reported the storage, please contact FSA to report the new location.

FY 2002 PFC Reminder

Producers with Production Flexibility contracts (PFCs) authorized under AMTA in the 1996 farm bill must continue to follow contract requirements for the 2002 crop year. The deadline to sign or revise a PFC for FY2002 is August 1, 2002. PFC payments for the 2002 crop year will

continue to be issued, as requested, until September 30, 2002, provided all eligibility requirements have been met.

Producers who wish to receive their 2002 PFC (Production Flexibility Contract) payments early must sign a form that month you wish to receive your 2002 payment.

Producers are encouraged not to request a payment for the farm if they are considering selling a portion or the entire farm as payment received must be refunded. Changes in your farming operations must be reported timely in order to reflect PFC payments to the current crop year producer. All changes reflected on the CCC-478, Application for PFC Payment, must be signed by August 1, 2002.

New Farm Bill

On May 13, 2002 President Bush signed into law the 2002 Farm Bill, officially known as the "Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002."

FSA will be using all available means to provide you with complete and timely information the new program and provisions by way of direct mailings, new releases, fact sheets, county newsletters and public meetings. Frequently updated information will be posted on the web site at <http://www.usda.gov/pas/farmbill>.

The website will include farm bill program details, questions and answers, program applications and sign-up forms, as well as other important materials from USDA agencies on farm bill implementation. The website will also contain advanced electronic applications to help program applicants receive program benefits faster and more efficiently.

Loan Deficiency Payment (LDP) Eligibility

In accordance with the provisions of the new farm bill, FSA has recently issued LDP eligibility to commodities grown in 2001 on nonparticipating farms. In addition a special beneficial interest waiver will be available to producers who marketed 2001 commodities before applying for their LDP payment.

The ending date for applications will be announced by FSA as soon as regulations are published. Producers who previously requested LDP's, but were disapproved based on lost beneficial interest, will be able to

apply for their LDP on the 2001 production.

If you have questions concerning this provision, please contact the Rockcastle County FSA Office, Mt. Vernon, or call 256-2525.

Important Dates to Remember
July 1, 2002 - Deadline to sign all Tobacco Leases

July 1, 2002 - Deadline to report Crops

August 1, 2002 - Deadline to sign Warehouse Designation.

August 1, 2002 - Deadline to sign or revise the 2002 PFC contracts.
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Summer Reading 2002 Incentives and Programs ROCKCASTLE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

Start Date: June 10th

Submit Reading Logs: July 5th

Incentives: Read five books, bring book log in and show that you have read them and receive a coupon for a free Jr. Frosty from Wendy's. Read ten books, bring in book log and receive a coupon for a free Personal Pan Pizza from Pizza Hut. Take care of your book logs. You must bring in your book log to get it initiated by a librarian to receive your coupons.

Story Hour for Preschoolers

Tuesdays at 1 p.m.

Craft Time for Elementary Students through

5th grade

June 11th - July 2nd • Tuesdays at 3:30 p.m.

Reptile Show: June 24th at 4 p.m.

Levi Jackson Presentation, Ma Sybil:

Tuesday July 2nd at 1 p.m.

Finale Program: Thursday, July 11th

10:30 a.m. Ronald McDonald

Pizza Party around 11:00 or 11:30.

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 99 Chrysler Concorde. Leather, all buttons, only 22,000 miles. NEW ARRIVAL.	 96 Dodge Stratus. Auto, air, local trade. \$3,900.	 98 Dodge Ram 1500 4x4. Xcab, 4 door, V-8, auto, local trade. \$14,900.	 99 Dodge Durango 4x4 SLT Package. One owner, local trade, with leather & loaded. \$17,900.	 94 Ford F-150 Xcab. V-8, auto, choco-choo conversion pkg., only 48,000 miles. \$11,900.	 97 Ford Crown Vic. Loaded, local trade. \$6,950.	 98 Ford Mustang. V-8, auto, convertible, leather, low-low miles. NEW ARRIVAL.
 01 Ford Explorer Sport Trac. 4-Door, auto, 4x4, loaded, one owner. NEW ARRIVAL.	 00 GMC Denali. Leather, one owner, loaded. \$28,900.	 96 Infiniti Q45. Touring package, leather, CO, all buttons, local one owner trade. \$11,900.	 99 Infiniti Q45. Leather, all power with roof, wheels, rear wheel drive car, local trade. \$18,900.	 96 Jeep Grand Cherokee 4x4. Auto, air, leather. \$9,900.	 97 Jeep Wrangler. 6-Cyl, auto, air, 4x4, local trade.	 98 Jeep Wrangler Sahara. 6-Cyl, auto, air, 4x4. \$16,550.
 98 Lincoln Continental. Leather, all buttons, low miles. NEW ARRIVAL.	 96 Mercury Cougar. Auto, air, leather, only 75,000 miles. \$1,900.	 92 Mercury Grand Marquis. Leather, local trade. \$3,950.	 98 Mercury Grand Marquis. Leather, wheels, loaded, local trade, only 70,000 miles. \$7,950.	 99 Mercury Villager. 5 door, dual AC, captain's chairs, super nice. NEW ARRIVAL.	 00 Nissan Frontier. 4 door, 4x4, V-6, auto, loaded. NEW ARRIVAL.	 01 Nissan Pathfinder SE. Leather, roof, all toys, excellent condition. NEW ARRIVAL.
	 98 Olds Cutlass. One owner, local trade. \$3,950.	 98 Pontiac Parisienne. 4x4, all buttons, only 48,000 miles. \$2,800.				
 99 Suzuki Grand Vitara 4x4. Auto, all buttons. \$12,900.	 01 Suzuki Grand Vitara. Auto, 4x4, air, loaded. \$14,900.	 98 Toyota 4x4 Xcab. 4x4. Loaded, local trade. \$12,900.	 99 Toyota Tacoma 4x4. Loaded, local trade, only 25,000 miles.	 00 Toyota Tacoma 4x4. 4-Cyl, auto, air, one owner. \$16,900.	 99 Toyota Tacoma 4x4. 5-Spd, air, 3 to choose from. \$13,900.	 99 Toyota Tacoma 4x4. 5-Spd, air, certified, 3 to choose from. \$13,900.
 99 Toyota Tacoma 4x4. V-6, auto, SR5, one owner, loaded. \$17,990.	 01 Toyota 4x4 V-6. Auto, one owner, loaded. \$21,900.	 00 Toyota Tundra 4x2. Xcab, auto, all buttons. NEW ARRIVAL.	 99 Toyota Sienna. 5 door, dual AC, all buttons. \$18,900.	 98 Toyota Rav4. Auto, 4x4, loaded. NEW ARRIVAL.	 97 Toyota Rav4. Local trade. \$9,990.	 99 Toyota Rav4. Auto, air, loaded. NEW ARRIVAL.
	 99 Toyota Rav4. Auto, air, all buttons. NEW ARRIVAL.	 98 Toyota 4-Runner Limited. 4x4, leather, low-low miles. NEW ARRIVAL.				
 99 Toyota 4-Runner SR-5. V-6, auto, loaded, certified. \$21,900.	 01 Toyota 4-Runner SR-5. V-6, auto, air, 4x4, loaded. \$22,900.	 98 Toyota Avalon. Leather, loaded. NEW ARRIVAL.	 97 Toyota Avalon XL. Leather, roof, wheels, loaded. \$13,900.	 01 Toyota Celica GT. Lift back, low miles, auto. \$18,550.	 99 Toyota Solara SE. V-8, auto, wheels, loaded, certified. \$16,750.	NEVER PAID TRADE GUARANTEED DOWN PAYMENT COUPON NEVER PAID TRADE If you are short on cash to use for your down payment, Toyota will show overpayment for your trade-in to assist you in buying more car with less cash out of your pocket. NEVER PAID TRADE OVERPAID FOR TRADE NEVER PAID TRADE
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