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FINAL REMINDER – BUY YOUR CROP INSURANCE NOW FOR 2008!

The Farm Bill now requires that for Farm Service Agency (FSA) programs, all parties need to purchase crop insurance or Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) to qualify. What that means is that for any drought programs that will soon be announced for 2008, you must have purchased the insurance (\$100). Since the Farm Bill was passed late this year, an extension was given until September 16th, 2008 to be eligible for 2008 payments. And from now on, insurance will have to be purchased in December of the previous year to qualify for programs.

Make sure you get in to your local FSA office before the September 16th deadline to be able to qualify for 2008 disaster programs.

If you have any questions, please give me a call or contact your local FSA office.

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