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## Park County FSA Updates

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### Committee Meeting: TBA

## Emergency Conservation Announcement

A flood has caused severe damage to areas along the Greybull and Wood Rivers of Park County. Farms and ranches suffering severe damage may be eligible for assistance under the Emergency Conservation Program (ECP) administered by the Park County Farm Service Agency if the damage:

- Will be so costly to rehabilitate that Federal assistance is or will be needed to return the land to productive agricultural use
- Is unusual and is not the type that would recur frequently in the same area
- Affect the productive capacity of the farmland
- Will impair or endanger the land

A producer qualifying for ECP assistance may receive cost-share levels not to exceed 75 percent of the eligible cost of restoration measures. No producer is eligible for more than \$200,000 cost sharing per natural disaster occurrence. The following types of measures may be eligible:

- Removing debris from farmland
- Grading, shaping, or releveling severely damaged farmland
- Restoring permanent fences
- Restoring conservation structures and other similar installations.

Producers who have suffered a loss from a natural disaster may contact Darla at the Park County FSA Office and request assistance from **August 1 to August 30, 2015**.

To be eligible for assistance, practices must not be started until all of the following are met:

- An application for cost-share assistance has been filed
- The local FSA County Committee or its representative has conducted an onsite inspection of the damaged area
- The Agency responsible for technical assistance, such as Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS), has made a needs determination, which may include cubic yards of earthmoving, etc., required

for rehabilitation.

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## Guaranteed Loan Program

### GUARANTEE LOAN INFORMATION

As a farmer or rancher, whether you are just starting out or have many years of experience, there are times when you need to borrow money to start, expand, sustain, or make changes to your business. You may be able to obtain a guarantee loan through FSA's Farm Loan Programs. The loans types are for farm ownership and farm operating.

The Guarantee loans are made and serviced by commercial lenders. FSA guarantees the lender's against loss, up to 95%. The guarantee loan limit is \$1,355,000.00

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## ARC/PLC Sign Up

The 2014 farm Bill authorized the ARC/PLC PROGRAM. Farm operators and owners have been issued Notification of Bases and Yields. With the issuance of these notifications, signup dates for 2014 and 2015 have been announced. Signup began on **June 17, 2015** and will run through **September 30, 2015**. Farms can only be enrolled consistent with the election or default election made on each eligible farm. Farms having the default election, no valid election of ARC or PLC will be ineligible for 2014 payments. These farms will need to enroll for 2015. Farms with elections made during the election process are eligible for both 2014 and 2015 payments if applicable.

At this time there has been no announcement of the Market Year Average (MYA) price for 2014. These MYA's will be announced after the end of the 12 month marketing year which is May 31 for barley, oats and wheat and August 31 for corn and sunflowers. The program payments, if applicable, will be made in October each year for the prior 12 month marketing year.

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