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## Park County FSA Updates

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### Park County FSA Office

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### County Executive Director

Darla Rhodes

### Farm Loan Manager:

Kathy Palazzolo  
Tom Schambow

### Program Technicians:

Marcia Shuler

### County Committee:

Lynn George  
Michael Hogg  
Klodette Stroh

### Next County Committee

Meeting: TBA

## Direct Loans

FSA offers direct farm ownership and direct farm operating Loans to producers who want to establish, maintain or strengthen their farm or ranch. FSA loan officers process, approve and service direct loans.

Direct farm operating loans can be used to purchase livestock and feed, farm equipment, fuel, farm chemicals, insurance and other costs including family living expenses. Operating loans can also be used to finance minor improvements or repairs to buildings and to refinance some farm-related debts, excluding real estate.

Direct farm ownership loans can be used to purchase farmland, enlarge an existing farm, construct and repair buildings, and to make farm improvements.

The maximum loan amount for both direct farm ownership and operating loans is \$300,000 and a down payment is not required. Repayment terms vary depending on the type of loan, collateral and the producer's ability to repay the loan. Operating loans are normally repaid within seven years and farm ownership loans are not to exceed 40 years.

Please contact your local FSA office for more information or to apply for a direct farm ownership or operating loan.

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## County Committee Election

The Park County Farm Service Agency is pleased to announce that Klodette Stroh will be serving her 2nd 3 year term on the County Committee. She will be representing Local Administrative Area #1, which is the Powell and Clarks Fork areas.

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## Livestock Programs

With calving season just around the corner, keep in mind that FSA provides assistance for livestock losses caused by an eligible adverse weather event. Losses must exceed normal mortality and be directly related to the adverse weather event. Producers must be able to provide verifiable documentation including but not limited to veterinary records, tax records, contracts, financial documents, purchase and/or sales records, etc. to show proof and reasonableness of beginning and ending inventory and death loss. In addition, producers may use reliable records such as but not limited to contemporaneous records, pictures of losses that include date, brand inspection records, etc. Producers must also provide documentation that supports the claim of an adverse weather event. This documentation may include but is not limited to personal diaries, calving records, weather sites online that provide historical weather as well as conditions that occurred during the adverse event. To apply for the Livestock Indemnity Program (LIP), the participant must file a Notice of Loss within 30 calendar days of when the loss of livestock was apparent. Notice of Loss may be filed by 1 of the following methods: in person, telephone, fax, or email.

If you have any questions or concerns in regard to available FSA programs please contact the County Office.

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