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Washington Idaho Oregon

Farm Service
Agency

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SUBJECT: Administrator's Physical Loss Notification

In response to the Washington State Executive Director's request of January 26, 2009, we are hereby making Farm Service Agency (FSA) emergency physical loss loans available in 21 Washington counties due to winter storms that occurred from December 14, 2008, through January 15, 2009. Those counties are:

Chelan	Kittitas	Pierce	Wahkiakum
Clark	Lewis	Skagit	Whatcom
Cowlitz	Lincoln	Snohomish	Whitman
Franklin	Mason	Spokane	
Grays Harbor	Pacific	Stevens	
King	Pend Oreille	Thurston	

In addition, 15 Washington counties are named as contiguous disaster areas where eligible family farmers may qualify for FSA emergency physical loss loan assistance, pursuant to section 321(a) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act. Those counties are:

Adams	Columbia	Garfield	Jefferson	Skamania
Asotin	Douglas	Grant	Kitsap	Walla Walla
Benton	Ferry	Island	Okanogan	Yakima

Also, in accordance with section 321(a) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, counties in adjacent States that are contiguous to one or more primary counties in Washington will be named as contiguous counties where eligible family farmers may qualify for FSA emergency physical loss loan assistance. Those States and counties are:

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Benewah	Boundary	Latah
Bonner	Kootenai	Nez Perce

EXPIRATION DATE: January 31, 2010

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Farm Loan Programs

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Columbia

Multnomah

Effective on the signature date shown above, emergency loans may be made available to any applicant with a qualifying physical loss in the counties named. This approval is limited to applicants who suffered SEVERE PHYSICAL LOSSES ONLY, in accordance with the provisions of the Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) Instruction 1945-A, section 1945.20(c).

This notification is coded N971. Emergency loan applications will be received until the first business day that occurs 8 months after the signature date above. Use the beginning date of the disaster to determine loan security values for these loan applications.

Please proceed to take the appropriate notification and coordination actions required by FmHA Instruction 1945-A.