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## Coronavirus Food Assistance Program 2 for Row Crop Producers

Are you a row crop producer whose operation has been directly impacted by the coronavirus pandemic? USDA is implementing Coronavirus Food Assistance Program 2 for agricultural producers who continue to face market disruptions and associated costs because of COVID-19.

Coronavirus Food Assistance Program 2, or CFAP 2, will provide producers with financial assistance that gives them the ability to absorb some of the increased marketing costs associated with the COVID-19 pandemic. USDA will accept CFAP 2 applications from September 21, 2020 through December 11, 2020. Learn more at <u>farmers.gov/cfap</u>.

#### **Eligible Row Crop Commodities**

Row crops eligible for CFAP 2 include: alfalfa, amaranth grain, barley, buckwheat, canola, corn, Extra Long Staple (ELS) cotton, upland cotton, crambe (colewort), einkorn, emmer, flax, guar, hemp, indigo industrial rice, kenaf, khorasan, millet, mustard, oats, peanuts, quinoa, rapeseed, rice, sweet

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rice, wild rice, rye, safflower, sesame, sorghum, soybeans, speltz, sugar beets, sugarcane, sunflowers, teff, triticale, and all classes of wheat.

Forage soybeans and forage sorghum are not eligible for CFAP 2. Hay, except alfalfa, and crops intended for grazing are ineligible for CFAP 2 and will not receive a CFAP 2 payment. Crops with intended uses of green manure and those left standing are also ineligible.

CFAP 2 payments are available for eligible producers of row crop commodities categorized as either price trigger commodities or flat-rate crops. Specifically:

- **Price trigger commodities** suffered a five percent-or-greater national price decline in a comparison of the average prices for the week of January 13-17, 2020, and July 27-31, 2020.
- **Flat-rate crops** either do not meet the five-percent-or-greater national price decline trigger noted above or do not have data available to calculate a price change.

## **CFAP Payments for Price Trigger Row Crops**

Payments for eligible row crops included in the price trigger payment category will be equal to the greater of:

- 1. Eligible acres of the crop multiplied by a rate of \$15 per acre; **OR**
- 2. Eligible acres of the crop multiplied by a nationwide crop marketing percentage, multiplied by a crop-specific payment rate, and then by the producer's weighted 2020 Actual Production History (APH) approved yield. If the APH is not available, 85 percent of the weighted 2019 Agriculture Risk Coverage-County Option (ARC-CO) benchmark yield for that crop will be used.

Marketing percentages and payment rates for each crop are documented in the table below.

Commodity	Unit of	Crop Marketing	Payment Rate
	Measure	Percentage (%)	(\$/Unit)
Barley	Bushel	63	\$0.54 Feedback

Commodity	Unit of Measure	Crop Marketing Percentage (%)	Payment Rate (\$/Unit)
Corn	Bushel	40	\$0.58
Cotton, Upland	Pound	46	\$0.08
Sorghum	Bushel	55	\$0.56
Soybeans	Bushel	54	\$0.58
Sunflowers	Pound	44	\$0.02
Wheat (All Classes)	Bushel	73	\$0.54

Please note, if you will be filing an application for price trigger row crops identified as "acreage-based crops," the acreage and yield information must be provided by FSA through the annual acreage reporting process, either through an application initiated by USDA Service Center staff or by applying online through our CFAP 2 Portal. Call your <u>local USDA Service Center</u> or log into the CFAP 2 Application Portal to initiate your application once the CFAP 2 application period opens on September 21. Learn more at <u>farmers.gov/cfap/apply</u>.

#### **CFAP Payments for Flat-Rate Row Crops**

Payments for eligible row crops included in the flat-rate payment category will be equal to eligible acres of the crop multiplied by a rate of \$15 per acre. Eligible acres include the producer's share of the determined acres, or reported acres if determined acres are not present, excluding prevented planted and experimental acres.

Row crops eligible for CFAP 2 in the flat-rate payment category include: alfalfa, amaranth grain, buckwheat, canola, Extra Long Staple (ELS) cotton, crambe (colewort), einkorn, emmer, flax, guar, hemp, indigo industrial rice, kenaf, khorasan, millet, mustard, oats, peanuts, quinoa, rapesee Feedback et rice, wild rice, rye, safflower, sesame, speltz, sugar beets, sugarcane, teff, and triticale.

Please note, if you will be filing an application for flat-rate row crops identified as "acreage-based crops," the acreage and yield information must be provided by FSA through the annual acreage reporting process, either through an application initiated by USDA Service Center staff or by applying online through our CFAP 2 Portal. Learn more at <u>farmers.gov/cfap/apply</u>.

### **Additional CFAP 2 Information**

Farm Service Agency staff at local USDA Service Centers will work with producers to file CFAP 2 applications. Producers interested in one-on-one support with the CFAP 2 application can also call 877-508-8364 to speak directly with a USDA employee ready to offer assistance at our call center.

Visit <u>farmers.gov/cfap</u> for additional information on Coronavirus Food Assistance Program 2, other eligible commodities, CFAP 2 eligibility, payment limitations and structure, and how to apply.

# **Find Your Local Service Center**

We are committed to delivering USDA services to America's farmers and ranchers while taking safety measures in response to COVID-19. While employees continue to staff our Service Centers, some are only available for phone appointments at this time. You can learn the status of your service center through <u>this tool</u>. Learn more at <u>farmers.gov/coronavirus.</u> USDA Service Centers are locations where you can connect with Farm Service Agency, Natural Resources Conservation Service, or Rural Development employees for your business needs. Enter your state and county below to find your local service center and agency offices. If this locator does not work in your browser, please visit <u>offices.usda.gov.</u>

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