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Kent County FSA Updates

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County Committee:

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Alfred Moor III - Member

Maria Bobola - Advisor

Next County Committee Meeting:

March 14, 2017 at
8:30am

USDA Farm Service Agency Offers Text Alerts to Kent County Producers

Kent County USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director Maryann Reed announced that farmers in Delaware now can receive notifications from their county office through text messages on their cell phone.

Whether producers are in the field, on a tractor or even on horseback, this service enables FSA customers and stakeholders to receive notifications while on the go. Producers will receive text messages regarding important program deadlines, reporting requirements, outreach events and updates.

Producers can text **DEKENT** to FSANOW (372-669) to subscribe to text message alerts from Kent County. Standard text messaging rates apply. Contact your wireless carrier for details associated with your particular data plan. Participants may unsubscribe at any time.

Please contact our office at (302) 741-2600 ext. 2 if you have questions regarding FSA's email news service or the new text message option.

NAP Coverage Application Closing Dates

Eligible producers must apply for coverage and pay the applicable service fees annually by the application closing date. Acreage and production reports are also due annually.

August 1 - strawberries

September 1 - forage crops

September 15 - spinach, Swiss chard, kale

November 20 - orchard crops, honey

March 15 - melons, fresh market sweet corn, squash, pumpkins, peppers, tomatoes, most annual fruits and vegetables

To ensure coverage availability, please contact our office.

Farm Loans Available

- Beginning Farmer & Rancher Loans
- Emergency Loans (Time Sensitive)
- Farm Operating Loans (Direct and Guaranteed)
- Farm Ownership Loans (Direct and Guaranteed)
- Farm Storage Facility Loans (FSFL)
- EZ Guarantee and Microloans
- SDA (Women/Minority) Farmer & Rancher Loans
- Youth Loans

Please contact Colleen Reed at (302) 856-3990 ext. 2 for more information about our Farm Loan Programs.

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