

# Agricultural Update

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## Government Programs

The October 15, 1999 Agriculture Update is dedicated to the discussion of alternative government programs available by Secretary of Agriculture Dan Glickman ([official news release](#)) making an official declaration that ALL Missouri counties have been declared a disaster area due to drought.

Each of the following topics contains links to informational pages through the Farm Service Agency (FSA). The information covered on each of these pages outlines eligibility requirements, application process, and availability of funds. [FACT SHEET](#)

### [Emergency Conservation Program \(ECP\)](#)

**Consider this program if you require water assistance for livestock.**

ECP shares with agricultural producers the cost of rehabilitating eligible farmlands damaged by natural disaster. During severe drought, ECP also provides emergency water assistance - both for livestock and for existing irrigation systems for orchards and vineyards.

### [FACT SHEET](#)

### [The Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program \(NAP\)](#)

NAP is for crops for which crop insurance is not available. It provides assistance for farmers who grow such crops, limiting their losses from natural disaster and helping to manage their overall business risk.

NOTE: To be eligible for assistance in the event of a disaster, you must provide certain information to FSA annually, **before** a disaster occurs. See below.

### [FACT SHEET](#)

### [Emergency Loan \(EM\) Assistance](#)

FSA provides low-interest EM loan assistance to eligible farmers to help cover production and physical losses in counties declared as disaster areas by the President or designated by the Secretary of Agriculture. The FSA Administrator may also authorize EM loan assistance to cover physical losses only.

## FACT SHEET

**Crop Loss Assistance Program for 1998.** Currently, this is not a viable option. However, under the recently passed Farm Rescue Package for 1999 this Program will likely come into play.

## FACT SHEET for 1998

## Overview of Farm Rescue Package sent to President Clinton

### **Power Point Presentations for Download on Disaster Government Programs**

You may find these short presentations useful in your programming efforts over the next few months. To load these files to your hard drive, move the pointer to the desired program title with your mouse, right-click on the mouse, and select save. The "Save As" program box will pop up and you can save these to the desired location.

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