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USDA Reminds Producers of Livestock Program

Lincoln -Nebraska USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director Dan Steinkruger has announced that producers who suffer qualifying livestock losses due to natural disasters, including extreme heat and humidity, could be eligible for Livestock Indemnity Program (LIP) benefits.

LIP compensates livestock owners and contract growers for livestock death losses in excess of normal mortality due to an eligible adverse weather event, including losses due to floods, blizzards, disease, wildfires, extreme heat and extreme cold. For the current calendar year, eligible losses must have occurred on or after Jan. 1, 2016.

The LIP national payment rate for eligible livestock owners is based on 75 percent of the average fair market value of the livestock.

Producers are urged to contact their local county FSA office to schedule an appointment to submit a notice of loss and application for payment.

For more information on LIP and other disaster assistance programs, visit FSA online at www.usda.gov/disaster.

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