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USDA Farm Service Agency Announces funding to Help Drought-Stricken Klamath Farmers

KLAMATH FALLS, OR, April 28, 2010 – USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) Oregon State Executive Director, Lynn Voigt, today announced funding will be available for special drought assistance for the Klamath Basin. “I encourage all eligible producers affected by the drought in the Klamath Basin to apply for this additional funding to assist them in hauling water for livestock and developing livestock watering facilities,” said Voigt.

The funding for the practices EC-6 and EC-7 will provide farmers in Klamath county funding to assist in hauling water and providing livestock watering facilities. The practice is to be used for livestock on grazing land that do not have access to water because of an extended period of severe drought condition and to be used only if there are no other means of obtaining water for livestock.

The sign up period to enroll for ECP (Emergency Conservation Program) funding is May 4th through June 4th. Eligible participants include producers located in Klamath County, Oregon.

“We are encouraging folks that are seeking assistance to come in to utilize these funds,” said Voigt.

Producers can apply for assistance through FSA at their local USDA Service Center. FSA field office phone numbers for counties within the drought-stricken area are: Klamath Falls Service Center, Oregon: 541-883-6924, extension 2.

For more information or to apply for ECP funding and other USDA Farm Service Agency programs, please visit your FSA county office or www.fsa.usda.gov.

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