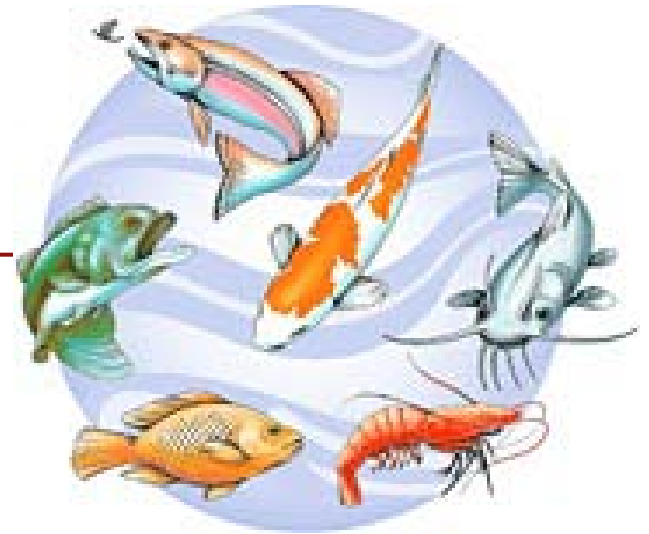


USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA)

RTCP

Reimbursement Transportation Cost Payment Program for Geographically Disadvantaged Farmers and Ranchers

RTCP



Reimburses producers for a portion of the cost for transporting an agricultural commodity or inputs used to produce the commodity

Payment cap is \$8,000 subject to national factoring

RTCP

Eligible Producers – Farmers and ranchers who transported an agricultural commodity or bought inputs to produce a commodity

October 1, 2011 to September 30, 2012

RTCP

Eligible Producers

- US Citizen or Legal Resident Aliens
- Eligible Agricultural Operation
- Non-Farm Adjusted Gross Income less than \$500,000
- Certify Compliance with HELC & WC Provisions

RTCP

RTCP payments are based on transportation costs incurred, multiplied by the applicable COLA (Cost of Living Allowance) for the applicable area

Hawaii County COLA is 18%

RTCP

3 types of transportation costs applied:

- Actual
- Set
- Fixed

RTCP

ACTUAL

Based on actual costs incurred from verifiable records

- FedEx, UPS, Matson, Aloha Airlines, Young Brothers, Local transportation, etc.
- Reimbursement for actual transport cost X 18%
- Example: $\$1000 \times .18 = \180

RTCP

SET

Established locally to reflect transportation rates of commodities or inputs

- 2011 set rate was 22.5%
- Under set rate multiply the cost of an eligible item X .225
- Example: $\$1000 \times .225 \times .18 = \40.50

RTCP

SET Inputs:

Fuel, Fertilizer, Fencing, Tools, Herbicide, Pesticide, Equipment/Parts, Seed, Plants, etc.

Anything used to produce a commodity

RTCP

SET COMMODITIES

On-Island Transportation over 30 miles

- 2011 rate was set at .05
- Example: $\$100,000 \times .18 \times .05 = \900

RTCP

FIXED

Established locally and reflects transportation rates of cattle and large implements

- 2011 fixed rate for exporting cattle = \$200
5 head cattle shipped $5 \times \$200 \times .18 = \180
- 2011 fixed rate for implements costing over \$17,500
= \$1000

RTCP

Supporting Documents

Verifiable Records:

- Account Statements
- Bill of Lading
- Contractual Agreements
- Financial Statements
- Invoices
- Retail Sales Receipts

Supporting Documents

Verifiable records:

- Name of producer, except retail sales receipts
- Commodity, unit (quantity), and unit of measure, or unit price
- Type of inputs associated with transportation costs
- Date of service/sale
- Name of person or entity providing the service/sale

Supporting Documents

Paperwork to set up account with FSA

- AGI – Adjusted Gross Income (2010, 2009, 2008)
- FSA902 - To Certify Citizenship
- Direct Deposit Form (With voided check or take form to bank to complete)
- AD1026 HELC/WC – Conservation Compliance

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