## **Goal: Getting Payments Right**

**Program or Activity** FSA Agriculture Risk and Price Loss Coverage Reporting Period Q4 2020

Change from Previous FY (\$M)

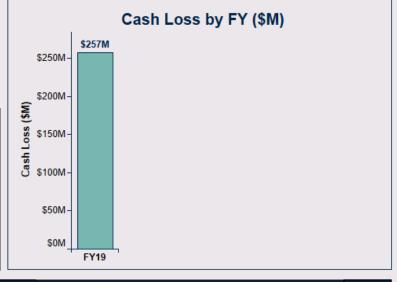
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FSA Agriculture Risk and Price Loss Coverage

<u>Brief Program Description:</u>
ARC provides income support when crop revenue falls below specified guarantee levels. PLC provides income support when covered commodity prices fall below effective reference price.

| Key Milestones |   | Status   | ECD    |  |
|----------------|---|----------|--------|--|
| 1              | Develop mitigation strategies to get the payment right the first time | On-Track | Oct-20 |  |
| 2              | Evaluate the ROI of the mitigation strategy On-                       |          | Oct-20 |  |
| 3              | Determine which strategies have the best ROI to prevent cash loss     | On-Track | Oct-20 |  |
| 4              | Implement new mitigation strategies to prevent cash loss              | On-Track | Oct-20 |  |
| 5              | Analyze results of implementing new strategies                        | On-Track | Nov-20 |  |



|  | Quar | Quarterly Progress Goals |   | Status    | Notes |        |
|--|------|--------------------------|---|-----------|-------|--------|
|  | 1    | Q4 2020                  | Synthesize and analyze the detailed error data from IPIA and similar reviews in preparation for 2019 payment cycle. | On-Track  | N/A   | Nov-20 |
|  | 2    | Q4 2020                  | Completed national training. Conducting ongoing refresh trainings   | Completed | N/A   | Dec-20 |

| R | Recent Accomplishments |   |        |  |
|---|------------------------|---|--------|--|
|   | 1                      | Completed national ARC/PLC training. ongoing refresh weekly Oct-Dec 2020      | Oct-20 |  |
|   | 2                      | Continue to hold conference call weekly to address deficiencies.              | Oct-20 |  |
|   | 3                      | Issued IA-3 detailing improper payments identified from previous fiscal year. | Oct-20 |  |

|  | Amt(\$)      | Root Cause   | Root Cause Description   | Mitigation Strategy | Anticipated Impact of Mitigation   |
|--|--------------|--|--|---------------------|--|
|  | \$250M       | Administrative or process errors made by: federal agency | Administrative or Process Error Made by Federal Agency relates to late filed acreage reports, contracts not approved/on file or enrolled without producer signature, and historical irrigated percentage (HIP) not calculated. | Training            | Error rates did decline based on the latest audit  |
|  | \$8 <b>M</b> | Failure to verify: financial data                        | Relates to the unauthorized signatures accepted on contracts, insufficient control of cropland, and eligibility documents not on file  | Training            | Error rates did decline on the latest audit.program is now below the \$100 Million dollar reporting threshold based on FY2020 FSA Payment Integrity Review Cycle |

Cash Loss - Cash loss to the Government includes amounts that should not have been paid and in theory should/could be recovered.