CAP Reform Countdown | What's happening and when?

Department for Environment Food & Rural Affairs

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New online service

- New single telephone helpline for all CAP enquiries
- Customers can register on the new system and check their personal, land and business details
- Customers make Basic Payment Scheme claims
- New system introduced in stages, with more customers being invited to use it each month
- Information on how to use the new online service available

Basic Payment Scheme & Cross compliance

- Deadline for transferring Single Payment Scheme entitlements
- Basic Payment Scheme (BPS) guidance online
- 2015 BPS application window opens
- 2015 BPS application window closes
- 2015 cross compliance guidance available
- Basic Payment Scheme policy announcements explained
- New greening rules explained
- Entitlements and applications to National Reserve explained
- Information and support to help customers make Basic Payment Scheme applications online

Rural Development Programme

Overall programme

- Rural Development Programme (RDP) approved by EC
- New RDP launched

New environmental land management scheme

- Scheme structure confirmed
- Defra designing the targeting of the new scheme, working with stakeholders and industry partners
- Information and guidance on new environment scheme published in stages
- Briefing for agents on delivery of the new scheme

Increasing productivity & helping growth

- More information on Farming and Forestry Productivity Scheme (FFPS) and Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) Growth schemes available
- Guidance and information on how to apply for FFPS and LEP Growth schemes available
- FFPS and LEP Growth schemes open for applications
- Preparatory support offer for new Local Action Groups
- LEADER national delivery framework published
- Decision on all LEADER Local Action Groups and budgets
- LEADER scheme open for applications
- All potential Local Action Groups to work on Local Development Strategies and send to Defra by 5 September
- Guidance and information on how to apply for LEADER available

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Defra, Natural England, the Rural Payments Agency, the Forestry Commission and Defra's RDPE Delivery Team are committed to working together to ensure customers and stakeholders are provided with timely information to understand how CAP Reform affects them and any actions which are required. Where possible we develop our policies and guidance with extensive engagement with representative bodies of those affected. Caveat: Timeline is based on available information and anticipated timescales for development at time of publication and may be subject to change. This will be reviewed and updated as and when further information becomes available.