

## **Friday Feedback for Friday, January 3, 2025**

### **National Day of Mourning, Jan. 9**

Due to the passing of former President James Earl Carter, Jr., an executive order for the closing of executive departments and agencies of the federal government on January 9, 2025, has been authorized by President Joseph R. Biden, Jr. The Great Lakes Regional Office will be closed on January 9th.

### **Bee and Honey Inquiry Questionnaire Misprint – Presberry/ Courser**

A printing error has been discovered in questionnaires mailed from the Print Mail Center for the 2024 Annual Bee and Honey PDI. Specifically, pages 3 and 4 contain questions from another survey. This does not impact the blank questionnaires that were mailed with the January 1 enumerator packets, as these questionnaires were printed in-house.

Due to this error, HQ has instructed us to not check-in mail returns so that these operations may be recontacted to verify data. This could mean that the operations you are assigned to contact:

1. May have received a misprinted questionnaire. If they have not mailed back the questionnaire, please collect data as you normally would.
2. May have received a misprinted questionnaire and returned it by mail. Please attempt to collect the data again as means of verification and submit via CAPI.
3. May have received a misprinted questionnaire and also a call back from the call center to verify the data. In this case, no further data collection is necessary.

We apologize for this error and appreciate your extra effort in ensuring that NASS collects the most accurate information possible.

### **Upcoming Due Date Reminders**

Please be mindful of the following due dates:

- Cattle Report – January: December 31 – January 13
- Milk Production Report – January: December 31 – January 13
- Quarterly Colony Loss – January: December 30 – January 14
- Sheep and Goat Report – January: December 31 – January 14
- Row Crops County Estimates:
  - January Matches: December 30 – January 17
  - Non-Matches: January 2 – January 17
- Bee and Honey Inquiry - December: December 30 – February 9
- Conservation Effects Assessment Project (CEAP):
  - CEAP Phase II: November 15, 2024 – February 26, 2025
- Fruit and Nut Production and Disposition Inquiry: February 18 – March 20
- Census of Horticulture: December 30 – March 31

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## Friday Feedback for Friday, January 10, 2025

### Census of Horticulture – Collom/Rolewicz

Supplement sheets have been placed on the NASDA/Purdue website. Large nurseries and floriculture operations will very likely run out of room on the questionnaire to report the various types of products that are produced and will need supplements. These supplements can be printed from the website for use when enumerating. If you need the office to send you printed supplements, please let us know and we'll get some out to you.

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- Potato Stocks Inquiry (MI): January 30 – February 7
- Bee and Honey Inquiry - December: December 30 – February 9
- Trout Production Survey (MI): January 30 – February 10
- Turkeys Raised: January 30 – February 18
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## Friday Feedback for Friday, January 17, 2025

### CEAP Reminders – Bradley-Trietsch

Thank you all for your hard work on the CEAP survey so far. Please remember to ship all completed questionnaires (including **refusals** and **inaccessibles**) to the National Operations Division (NOD) on a regular basis, and submit the response code (complete, refusal, inaccessible) for all completed records in CAPI, as well.

We are learning that the CEAP edit is strict, so all **planting**, **harvest**, and cover crop **termination** dates must exactly match up between **section C** (crop history table and cover crop table), the **pesticide table** (if a cover crop is terminated with an herbicide, then there must be a line in the pesticide table with the correct date and the crop code must be the crop code of the cover crop), and the **field operations table** (planting/harvest dates). Please take a moment to review your questionnaires before shipping them to ensure that these dates match up.

Also, please remember that if a cover crop mix is used in question 3b of section C to include a comment describing the mix. Lastly, please include the number of lines in the table for the fertilizer table (item code 299), the pesticide table (item code 399), and the field operations table (item code 499).

Thank you again for your work on the CEAP survey. Please reach out to me with any questions at [logan.bradley-trietsch@usda.gov](mailto:logan.bradley-trietsch@usda.gov) or (517) 318-3191.

### **Census of Horticulture – Collom/Kalaus**

We received notification, after the Supervisor meeting on Wednesday, that the initial HQ questionnaire mailing was delayed. Questionnaires were supposed to be mailed to all non-respondents on January 8, but this was delayed until January 15 due to weather and facility issues at the National Processing Center. For most of the operations enumerators will contact, this was the second questionnaire mailed to respondents. Roughly 90 percent of the questionnaires in enumerator hands were mailed locally before the Holidays.

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- Hemp PDI: January 30 – March 6
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## **Friday Feedback for Friday, January 24, 2025**

### **Enumerator UPS Packages Shipped**

Enumerator packages containing information for February surveys (including TOTAL and ARMS III) were sent via UPS on Wednesday, January 22. Enumerators expecting work should receive their package no later than Monday, January 27. If you do not receive a package, and are expecting one, please contact your NASDA supervisor or the office.

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## **Friday Feedback for Friday, January 31, 2025**

### **CEAP: Please Fill in Crop Code Column in Tables – Bradley-Trietsch**

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Please complete all tables in their entirety. In particular, as we discussed at the regional training school, please take the time to fill in the crop code for every line in the table. Please do not leave them blank (or draw arrows down), even if they are the same for every line in the table.

I appreciate everyone's work on the CEAP survey. Supervisors - please reach out to me by February 4 if you have concerns about your supervisor group finishing by February 26.

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### **ARMS 3/TOTAL Postcard to Operators – Erickson/Morris**

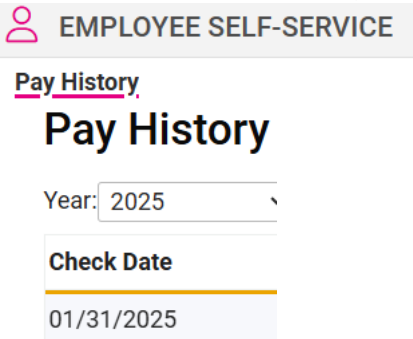
Our office was informed yesterday that NPC sent an additional reminder postcard to ARMS 3/TOTAL respondents on January 21. The postcard encouraged operators to complete their ARMS 3/TOTAL survey online, by phone, or by mail. The postcard has been posted on the ARMS 3 page – Pre-Survey Materials on the Purdue Great Lakes Region website.

## Mileage Correction from Pay Period 26 – Kimball

Due to a system error in iSolved, the update to the mileage rate did not occur in pay period 26 as planned. (Many thanks to all who noticed this and let me know). The rate was supposed to change from \$0.67 per mile to \$0.70.

If you claimed mileage on your time sheet in pay period 26, your mileage adjustment will be paid out in today's check. To see your mileage adjustment amount, log into iSolved and follow these steps:

1. Chose the check dated today.



EMPLOYEE SELF-SERVICE

Pay History

### Pay History

Year: 2025

Check Date

01/31/2025

2. Download the pay stub file by clicking on this button



3. Go to the bottom of the 2<sup>nd</sup> page to Reimbursements. The mileage adjustment is the one without any "Hours" shown next to it.

### Reimbursements

Earning	Rate	Hours	Dollars	Project Code
Mileage NT	0.7000	100.00	70.00	CEAP SURVEY
Mileage NT	0.7000		5.04	CEAP SURVEY

## Update Your iPad to iOS version 18.3 – Morris

The current iPadOS (18.3) is approved to run on all CAPI devices. All enumerators should update to the new iPadOS 18.3 before Thursday, February 6th (or at least before Apple pushes out a new version). A good cellular connection and/or WIFI is needed for a speedier install. Also, enumerators need to have their iPad fully charged before attempting to install this iPadOS. Leave ample time for the install to complete. Lastly, with every iPadOS update – some features may reset to ON by default, such as "System Responses & System Files" and "Download/Automatic iPadOS Updates" – please check and make sure these are OFF. To disable this feature, go to "Settings" → "General" → "Software Update" → "Automatic Updates." Once there tap the slider next to "System Responses & System Files" to turn it from green to gray. That will disable the features. Also, double check that "Download iPadOS Updates" is also disabled by taping the slider from green to gray.

\*With this update, the new Apple Intelligence feature will be added to the iPad Air 5th Generation model. Users will see a popup window about Apple Intelligence after updating to iPadOS 18.3. Select the option that says, "Set Up Now," to continue to the home page. We have not received any notification about Apple Intelligence and whether it should be disabled or not. Until then, we will leave the feature activated and will notify the enumerators of any changes.

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