

# Deadline extended for producers suffering from weather disasters

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Producers whose 1993 farm program crops have suffered from severe adverse weather condi-

tions will be given until August 31 to decide whether to harvest their crops or destroy them and take advantage of the "0/92" provision of the 1993 wheat and feed grain production adjustment and price support programs, Secretary of Agriculture Mike Espy announced today.

Many fields are still too wet to enter and destroy the crop, Espy said. Today's action allows producers an additional two weeks to decide whether to harvest the crop or to designate the land as 0/92 acreage.

Extending the reporting date through August will also pro-

vide the USDA's Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service offices additional time to fully inform producers of their options, Espy said.

Declaring the land as 0/92 acreage makes a producer eligible to receive guaranteed deficiency payments on up to 92 percent of a farm's maximum payment acreage.

On August 4, USDA gave producers whose crops had been affected by adverse weather conditions until August 16 to revise their acreage reports and to designate acreages under the 0/92 provisions.