

Trade Adjustment Assistance

Application Preparation Workshop *for* Shrimp and Catfish Producers

WHEN: Monday, September 20, 2010
7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

WHERE: Ag Building Auditorium
Calhoun County Fair Grounds
County Road 101, off Hwy 238
Port Lavaca, Texas

COST: Free



Under the 2010 regional shrimp and catfish petition, producers must complete their applications at local Farm Service Agency offices by **September 23, 2010**. The process is not too difficult and well worth the effort for the initial \$4,000.

TAA payments are differently structured this go around. Unlike last time, landings don't figure into the cash benefit anymore. Instead, qualifying applicants must "sit through" 12 hours of "instruction". If an applicant files as an individual (not a corporation) their spouse is also eligible to apply, increasing the initial cash benefit to \$8,000 per couple.

Mike Haby, Texas Sea Grant Seafood Economist and Rupert Butler, Calhoun County Executive Director of Farm Service Agency (FSA) will be on hand to walk you through all the forms and understand the differences in the available options.

Please call the Extension office at 361-552-9747 and tell us if you plan to attend so we can have enough materials on hand.

The purpose of this workshop is to provide professional assistance on completing the required documents for the USDA Farm Service Agency prior to the September 23rd deadline

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