

**Subject:** Request 2025-FSA-08431-F - Bocinsky - Acknowledgement / Clarification  
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**Attachments:** image002.png, Original Request.pdf

Mr. Bocinsky,

This letter acknowledges receipt of your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request (copy attached) dated July 15, 2025, to the Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farm Production and Conservation Business Center (FPAC-BC). Your request was received in this office and assigned control number 2025-FSA-08431-F. Please use this control number for all future communications regarding this request.

We are unable to begin processing your request at this time because we cannot determine precisely which records you are seeking. In your request form, you state that you are requesting

*"official geospatial county boundaries — in a geospatial file format such as an ESRI ShapeFile, GeoJSON, or similar — that were used to determine eligibility for the Livestock Forage Disaster Program (LFP) for each program year (2008–2025)."*

However, we need to know do you or your university have a memorandum of understanding with the USDA to receive these data points without producer consent? If yes, please provide us a copy by replying to this email.

We cannot proceed further with your request until we receive additional written clarification from you. Please note that if we do not hear from you within 20 business days from the date of this email, we will assume that you are no longer interested in pursuing your request and we will administratively close your request.

If you have any questions regarding the processing of this request, please contact Government Information (GI) Specialist Christina Vander Linden at 816-823-2669. If GI Specialist Christina Vander Linden at 816-823-2669 is not available, please contact GI Specialist Hani Nguyen at 651-602-7848 or GI Specialist Carol Nagel at 701-530-2107. We can also be reached at the group e-mail address [SM.FP.FOIA@usda.gov](mailto:SM.FP.FOIA@usda.gov).

Sincerely,

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