§ 1945.35 Special EM loan training.

(a) General. When it is evident that a large number of farmers were affected by a widespread disaster in a State, the National Office will send a qualified representative(s) from the Emergency Designation Staff to the State to assist the State Director in conducting a training meeting(s) with State, District and County employees, provided there has not been a recent training meeting in that State.

(b) Purpose. A good training program is a must in disaster areas. This program should adequately instruct State and County Office personnel so that when the training is completed they will be well qualified to process EM loans without undue delay. The training meeting will last two days (16 hours) and include a workshop and a test.

(c) Objective. The basic objective of this training program is to keep State and County personnel properly trained in the current methods of processing EM loan applications and EM loan making. This will result in more expeditious service to disaster victims during critical times and minimize erroneous interpretations of regulations by FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103–354 employees in administering the EM loan program.

(d) Comprehensive EM loan training package. A comprehensive EM loan training package has been developed for use by National Office and Staff Office personnel in training all EM loan writers (both regular and temporary employees). This package, including an application kit, will be used for the EM loan training meetings, and any subsequent EM loan training meetings conducted by State or District personnel.

(e) Funding. Travel for the two-day session required in paragraph (b) of this section may be funded from a special purpose account with advance approval from the Budget Division.
following information must be provided to the Budget Division when a request is made for these additional travel funds:

1. Number of sessions.
2. Categories, by number, of personnel attending each session.
3. Estimated cost per session.

§§ 1945.36–1945.44 [Reserved]

§ 1945.45 Public information function.

A good public information program is a must in disaster areas. This program should inform farmers and the general public when and where EM loans are available. Also, the information will state the EM loan objectives, eligibility requirements, and type of assistance available. Public information functions will be performed according to exhibit A of FmHA instruction 2015-A (available in any FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103–354 office).

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