

Attention All Grain Producing Patrons:

Higher commodity prices seem to be fueling rising costs with about everything associated with both the production and handling of grain. Expenses such as labor, interest, insurance and taxes continue to climb and operational repairs, maintenance and utilities are also all higher.

Like many in the commercial grain business, we wrestle with tough decisions to maintain or upgrade aging facilities that struggle more every year to keep up with the speed and practices of modern farming. Likewise, building and renewing our commitment to the future is also very expensive. Costs to build new grain elevation and storage facilities that have been trending higher for years; have skyrocketed the last few years.

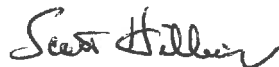
In response to these trends of higher costs, we unfortunately find it necessary to make adjustments to our storage and handling rates. Therefore, Country Partners Cooperative will make the following minor adjustments to our grain storage and handling rates **effective October 1st, 2021**:

- **Corn, Milo, Oats & Wheat** will accrue at a rate of **\$0.00165/bu/day** (\$0.05 per month)
- **Soybeans** will accrue at a rate of **\$0.00187/bu/day** (\$0.057 per month)
- **Grain Bank** will accrue at a rate of **\$0.00165/bu/day** (\$0.05 per month)
- **Handling Charges (In/Out)** will be **30 cents** total per bushel on all commodities

PLEASE NOTE: Current rates will not be affected until October 1st, 2021 and *the above mentioned changes do NOT pertain to or affect Price Later service charges (storage) or Price Later Policies*. Most grain that is delivered to Country Partners goes right onto Price Later. All other Grain Policies remain in effect unless otherwise stated.

Please contact your nearest Country Partners grain location to answer any questions you may have related to this notice. Thank you.

Cooperatively,



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