

United States Department of Agriculture February 25, 2013

TO:

Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM: PM-13-011

Risk Management All Approved Insurance Providers
All Risk Management Agency Field Offices

All Other Interested Parties

Management Agency

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SUBJECT: 2012 Actual Revenue History (ARH) Cherry Pilot Program

BACKGROUND:

The National Agriculture Statistics Service (NASS) reported prices for most types of cherries for 2012, but was unable to provide estimates for "Canned" cherries in Michigan or Oregon to avoid disclosing data for individual operations. In accordance with the definition of Annual Price in the ARH Cherry Crop Provisions, the Risk Management Agency (RMA) will determine the annual price if the NASS price is unavailable.

ACTION:

Due to the lack of availability of a "Canned" price, RMA is authorizing the use of the "Processed" price in the 2012 NASS Noncitrus Fruits and Nuts Report. To calculate the applicable annual price value by type, the NASS reported value (reported in dollars per ton) must be divided by 2,000 (pounds per ton) to obtain the correct price per pound, e.g. for Michigan Processed Sweet Cherries \$1,360/2000 = \$0.680 (rounded to three decimals in accordance with the ARH Cherry LASH). Other prices such as "Brined" that are available in the report may be used to calculate the Annual Price.

A link to the 2012 NASS Noncitrus Fruits and Nuts Report is below.

http://usda01.library.cornell.edu/usda/current/NoncFruiNu/NoncFruiNu-01-25-2013.pdf

DISPOSAL DATE:

March 15, 2014.

