



November 28, 2016

**United States  
Department of  
Agriculture**

**INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM: PM-16-058**

Farm and Foreign  
Agricultural  
Services

**TO:** All Approved Insurance Providers  
All Risk Management Agency Field Offices  
All Other Interested Parties

Risk  
Management  
Agency

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**SUBJECT:** Revised Crop Provisions for the 2017 and succeeding crop years

**BACKGROUND:**

The Risk Management Agency (RMA) published a Final Rule with Comment in the Federal Register, effective for the 2017 and succeeding crop years, which revised the Crop Provisions that contained Prevented Planting coverage levels for all crops with a 2017 contract change date on or after November 23, 2016, and for the 2018 and succeeding crop years for all crops with a 2017 contract change date prior to November 23, 2016.

The provisions in the prevented planting sections of each Crop Provisions have been revised to state that the prevented planting coverage levels will be contained in the actuarial documents. This change allows for appropriate updates to be made to prevented planting coverage levels due to changes that may occur over time that impact the costs incurred by producers up to the point of being prevented from planting. Please refer to the complete Crop Provisions for more information.

**ACTION:**

The following Crop Insurance Provisions will be available by close of business today and may be accessed on the RMA website at:

<http://www.rma.usda.gov/policies/2017policy.html>.

Additionally, a Special Provisions statement containing the prevented planting coverage level percent for each crop below will be available by November 30, 2016, and may be accessed on the RMA website at:

<https://webapp.rma.usda.gov/apps/actuarialinformationbrowser2017/CropCriteria.aspx>

**Crop Insurance Provisions:**

- Small Grains
- Cotton
- Extra Long Staple Cotton
- Sunflower Seed
- Sugar Beet
- Hybrid Sorghum Seed
- Coarse Grains
- Safflower
- Popcorn
- Peanut
- Onion
- Tobacco
- Green Pea Dry Pea
- Rice
- Northern Potato
- Central and Southern Potato
- Dry Bean
- Hybrid Seed Corn
- Processing Sweet Corn
- Processing Bean
- Canola and Rapeseed
- Millet
- Mustard

Interested producers should contact a crop insurance agent for further information. A list of agents can be found on the RMA website at: [www.rma.usda.gov/](http://www.rma.usda.gov/).

**DISPOSAL DATE:**

December 31, 2016