

United States Department of Agriculture	February 22, 2	2018
Farm Production and Conservation	INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM: PM-18-010	
Risk Management Agency	то:	All Approved Insurance Providers All Risk Management Agency Field Offices All Other Interested Parties
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	SUBJECT:	Livestock Capacity \$20 Million Limitation

## **BACKGROUND:**

The Federal Crop Insurance Act limited the amount of funds available to support livestock plans of insurance to \$20 million per fiscal year. On February 9, 2018, the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018 was signed into law removing the \$20 million fund limitation placed on livestock plans of insurance offered by the Risk Management Agency (RMA).

## ACTION:

The Underwriting Capacity Manager, which was used by RMA to monitor funding capacity used for each livestock program, has been updated to reflect the change in the law. The removal of the \$20 million livestock capacity limit does not change any individual program limitations that may be contained within a particular policy in place for livestock such as number of head per year or limitations stated in the Whole Farm Revenue Protection policy regarding livestock. Producers are also reminded of the prohibition of participating in both Livestock Gross Margin for Dairy Cattle and the Farm Service Agency's Margin Protection Program.

Interested producers should contact a livestock insurance agent for further information. A list of agents can be found on the RMA website: <u>www.rma.usda.gov</u>.

## **DISPOSAL DATE:**

December 31, 2019