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2011 COMMODITY INSURANCE FACT SHEET

Tropical Tree Pilot

Hawaii - Banana

Crop Insured

The crop insured will be all banana trees for which a premium rate is provided by the actuarial documents in which you have a share:

- Grown to produce a crop intended to be sold for human consumption;
- That, if the orchard is inspected and is considered acceptable by us;
- Provide evidence of at least four consecutive crop years of experience growing the crop excluding year set out;

Tree age will be determined on December 31st according to the following table:

Year	Months After	
	Set Out	
1	≤ 12	
2	13 - 24	
3	25 - 36	
4	37+	

Causes of Loss

Adverse weather conditions¹ Destruction of trees²

Disease³

Earthquake

Fire⁴

Insects³

Tsunami

Volcanic eruption

Wildlife⁵

Counties Available

Tropical fruits are insurable in Hawaii, Kauai, Honolulu and Maui counties in Hawaii.

Insurance Period

Insurance attaches January 1st for carryover policies and 30 days after we receive your application for new insureds, but no earlier than January 1st. The insurance period ends the earlier of May 31st of the following crop year; or upon our determination of the total destruction of insured trees on the unit.

Important Dates

Sales Closing	December 31
Acreage Report Due	February 15

Coverage Levels and Premium Subsidies

Growers can select coverage level options ranging from 50 to 75 percent of the reference maximum price per tree or catastrophic coverage risk protection which offers a producer a 50-percent level of coverage, indemnified at 55 percent of the established price shown on the price addendum.

Tree Reference Maximum Price - Value used to calculate your premium and indemnity.

Growth	Stage	Year	1\$28	per tree
Growth	Stage	Year	2\$28	per tree

Cost of Crop Insurance

CAT coverage:

- Pay an application fee of \$300
- 100 percent of the premiums subsidized.

Higher coverage levels

- Pay an application fee of \$30 and
- Premiums are subsidized at lower rates

For more detailed information about the amounts of coverage and premiums, please contact a crop insurance agent.

¹Natural perils such as frost, wind, drought, and excess moisture.

²If authorized by the insurance provider to contain the spread of disease. ³But not damage due to insufficient or improper application of control

⁴Unless weeds and undergrowth are not controlled.

⁵Unless recommended wildlife control measures have not been taken.

Loss Example

Example assumes 500 banana trees, 75-percent coverage, a reference price of \$28 per tree for growth stage year 2, and 300 trees dead after a hurricane event.

Step 1

500	Total insured trees.
x \$28	Tree reference price at stage 2
\$14,000	Value of insured trees

Step 2

300	Total dead trees
x \$28	Tree reference price at stage 2
\$ 8,400	Value of dead trees

Step 3

 $(8,400 \div 14,000) = 60$ percent damage (1.0 - .75) = 25 percent deductible (60 percent - 25 percent) = 35 percent loss \$14,000 x 35 percent = \$4,900 indemnity

Where to Purchase Crop Insurance

All multi-peril crop insurance, including CAT coverage insurance policies, are available from private insurance agents. A list of crop insurance agents is available on the RMA Web site at: http://www3.rma.usda.gov/tools/agents/

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