

Davis Regional Office — Davis, CA

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Forage Seeding

California

Crop Insured

Insured forage seeding will be all the alfalfa (60 percent or more of the ground cover is alfalfa) in the county in which you have a share, that is planted during the current crop year, or replanted during the calendar year following planting to establish a normal stand of alfalfa.

The policy does not cover any acreage that is grown to be grazed, grazed at any time during the insurance period, or that is interplanted with another crop (except nursery crops) unless allowed by special provisions or written agreement.

Counties Available

Forage seeding is available in Alameda, Colusa, Placer, Sacramento, San Joaquin, Solano, Stanislaus, Sutter and Yolo counties. The crop may be insurable in other counties by written agreement if specific criteria are met. Contact a crop insurance agent for more details.

Causes of Loss

You are protected against the following:

- Adverse weather conditions;
- Failure of irrigation water supply, if caused by an insured peril during the insurance year;
- Fire;
- Insects or plant disease, but not damage due to insufficient or improper application of control measures; or
- Wildlife.

Insurance Period

Coverage is for the first year after the crop is planted, before the first cutting, and while the stand is being established. Insurance ends at the earliest occurrence of one of the following:

- Total destruction;
- The initial harvest of the unit;
- Final adjustment of a loss;
- The date grazing starts on the forage crop;
- Abandonment of the forage crop; or
- November 30.

Important Dates

Sales Closing/Cancellation.....July 31, 2013
Acreage/Production Reporting.....June 15, 2014
Final Planting Date.....May 20, 2014
Premium Billing.....July 1, 2014
Termination.....July 31, 2014

Coverage Levels and Premium Subsidies

You can recover out-of-pocket cultural costs if more than 25 percent of the alfalfa seeding is damaged before the stand is established. Coverage levels range from 50 to 75 percent of a reference dollar amount offered by USDA before the insurance period begins. Crop insurance premiums are subsidized as shown in the following table. For example, if you choose the 65-percent coverage level, your premium share would be 41 percent of the base premium.

Item	Percent					
	50	55	60	65	70	75
Coverage Level	50	55	60	65	70	75
Premium Subsidy	67	64	64	59	59	55
Your Premium Share	33	36	36	41	41	45

Catastrophic Risk Protection (CAT) coverage is fixed at 50 percent of your approved yield and 55 percent of the price election. CAT is 100-percent subsidized with no premium cost to you. There is, however, an administrative fee of \$300 per crop per county, regardless of the acreage.

Loss Example

Assume 100-percent share on 30 acres, an insurance amount of \$438 per acre, and 10 acres with a remaining stand of 75-percent or greater at the time of loss.

30	Acreage
<u>x \$438</u>	Amount per acre
\$13,020	Amount of insurance
<u>- \$4,340</u>	Production to count (10 acres with stand of 75 percent or greater)
\$8,680	Loss
<u>x 1.0</u>	Share
\$8,680	Gross Indemnity

Price election used above is for example only. Contact a crop insurance agent for current information.

Where to Buy Crop Insurance

All multi-peril crop insurance, including CAT policies, are available from private insurance agents. A list of crop insurance agents is available at all USDA service centers and on the RMA website at: www3.rma.usda.gov/apps/agents/.

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