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## **Crop Insurance Deadline Nears in South Carolina**

*Farmers Must Purchase, Modify Coverage by February 28*

VALDOSTA, Ga., Feb. 12, 2015 — The USDA's Risk Management Agency (RMA) reminds farmers of the February 28 sales closing date for crop insurance in South Carolina. This applies to crop insurance policies for corn, cotton, grain sorghum, peanuts, and soybeans. Also included is flue-cured tobacco in Chesterfield, Clarendon, Colleton, Darlington, Dillon, Florence, Georgetown, Horry, Lee, Marion, Marlboro, Sumter, and Williamsburg counties. The sales closing date is the last day to buy a new policy or change an existing policy's coverage level.

Crop insurance provides protection against crop production losses due to natural perils such as drought, hail, and excessive moisture. Crop insurance is sold and delivered solely through private crop insurance agents. A list of crop insurance agents is available at all USDA Service Centers and online at the RMA [Agent Locator](#). Producers can use the RMA [Cost Estimator](#) to get a premium amount estimate of their insurance needs online.

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