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**INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** All Approved Insurance Providers Writing in the State of Missouri

**FROM:** Rebecca Davis /s/ *Rebecca Davis*  
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**SUBJECT:** Actuarial Rates Resulting from Unrepaired Levees in Carroll  
County, Missouri

**BACKGROUND**

Due to the 2010 flood event, levees along the Missouri River in Carroll County, Missouri, were breached. These breached levees are currently under repair, which is being coordinated by the local levee districts and the United States Army Corp of Engineers. For the upcoming growing season, acreage that is protected by these levees will be more susceptible to future flooding events while levee repairs are being completed. For the 2011 crop year, the following policy provision can be found in the Carroll County Special Provisions for Corn, Grain Sorghum, and Soybeans:

*Land flooded due to a breach in a levee resulting from prior year(s) flooding conditions is insurable. The applicable rate will be assigned based on conditions at the sales closing date. This land will be classified as the high risk area classification that results in the highest rate if the levee has not been repaired to prior specifications, or if the soil was damaged and was not restored to at least the same crop yield potential as prior to the flood event. The land will be classified as shown on the Actuarial Map if the levee is repaired to prior specifications and the soil has at least the same crop yield potential as before the flood.*

**AFFECTED AREA**

The levee districts affected by this statement in Carroll County, Missouri, at this date, are the Baltimore Bend Levee District and the Belcher-Lozier Levee District.

**ACTION**

If the breached levees are repaired prior to the Sales Closing Date of March 15, 2011, the published actuarial map areas apply. If the breached levees are repaired after



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March 15 and prior to planting, then written agreement requests will be accepted until the crop has been planted. To be eligible for a written agreement request, the field(s) must not have been planted at the time of the request. If the breached levees have not been repaired by March 15, then the highest rate of 'BBB' will be applied to the land located on the accompanying map, in accordance with the Special Provisions statement. RMA will consider the breached levees "repaired to prior specifications" when the levees offer equal to, or greater than, the level of height protection that was existing prior to the flood event.

If the breached levees have not been repaired by March 15, 2011, a shapefile illustrating the "Affected Area" on the accompanying map will be available for download from the RMA Website on March 16, 2011. PASS will validate acreage reports based on the attached map and shapefile.

For a map of the affected area, please email: [rsoks@rma.usda.gov](mailto:rsoks@rma.usda.gov).