

2014 WISCONSIN ACTUARIAL UPDATE

4/30, 6/30, & 8/31 FILINGS

4/30 WI Programs: LGM - Cattle, Dairy Cattle, Swine; LRP - Fed Cattle, Feeder Cattle, Lamb, Swine
6/30 WI Crops: Apiculture, APH Forage Production, Mint, Pasture/Rangeland/Forage (PRF), Wheat – Yield Protection, Revenue Protection, and Revenue Protection with Harvest Price Exclusion
8/31 WI Crops/Programs: AGR-Lite, Apples, ARH Tart Cherries, Cranberries, ARPI Forage Production – Area Yield Protection

PROGRAM EXPANSION:

- TART CHERRY Pilot Program added to Door County.
- FORAGE PRODUCTION (ARPI) has replaced GRP Forage Production. For Area Risk Protection Insurance (ARPI), the plan of insurance for Forage Production is Area Yield Protection (04)
- WHEAT added to Lincoln, Oneida, Richland, and Vernon counties.

PROGRAM DELETIONS: None

DATES: No changes

RATES:

- APPLES: Rate review done and new target rates established.
- WHEAT: Rate review done and new target rates established.
- No other crops for these three filing dates had a rate review done; however, some rates may have changed due to rates moving toward the target rates previously established.
- Rate surcharges have been removed for Organic Certified and Organic Transitional practices.
- Contract Pricing (CP) option has been added for most crops and is shown under the Rates tab in the Actuarial Information Browser (AIB). The CP option applies to certified organic practices only (for most crops).

STATEMENTS:

- APPLES: Contract pricing statement added to the Special Provisions. Allows certified organic producers to use their individual contract price for processing type apples rather than the published RMA price election in accordance with the Contract Price Addendum.
- CRANBERRIES: Contract pricing statement added to the Special Provisions. Allows certified organic producers to use their individual contract price rather than the published RMA price election in accordance with the Contract Price Addendum.
- FORAGE PRODUCTION (ARPI):
 - Statement added to Special Provisions that winterkilled acres do not have to be reported as insurable acres.
 - Statement added to Special Provisions that no production report is required for ARPI forage production (other ARPI crops require a production report from the insured).
- MINT: Contract pricing statement added to the Special Provisions. Allows certified organic producers to use their individual contract price rather than the published RMA price election in accordance with the Contract Price Addendum.
- WHEAT:
 - Contract pricing statement added to the Special Provisions. Allows certified organic producers to use their individual contract price for wheat rather than the published RMA price election in accordance with the Commodity Exchange Price Provisions (CEPP).
 - New cover crop statement outlines that a crop following a cover crop may be insured if the producer follows the NRCS management and termination guidelines for the cover crop.
 - Special Provisions statement added regarding effects that haying and grazing of a cover crop may have on a prevented planting payment.
 - Special Provisions statement added outlining the criteria for insurance on new breaking acres.

- Discount factors have been updated in quality adjustment tables on SPOIs.

TYPES/PRACTICES:

- FORAGE PRODUCTION (ARPI): Insurable types will be similar to APH Forage Production (Alfalfa, Alfalfa-Grass, and Red Clover), but ARPI Forage also includes a Grass type.

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T-YIELDS:

- APPLES: Organic T-yields have been changed to be 70 percent of the conventional practice T-yields.
- CRANBERRIES: Organic T-yields have been changed to be 65 percent of the conventional practice T-yields.
- WHEAT: Organic T-yields have been changed to be 65 percent of the conventional practice T-yields.

MAPS: No change to Lafayette County map (only county map in Wisconsin).

OTHER:

- Area Risk Protection Insurance (ARPI) has replaced GRP and GRIP plans. RMA has published an ARPI fact sheet: <http://www.rma.usda.gov/pubs/rme/arpi.pdf>
- Contract Price Addendum (CPA) published. The following is the link to the CPA: <http://www.rma.usda.gov/policies/2014/14cpa.pdf>
- TART CHERRY pilot program developed for 2014 and Door County will have a program. The crop provisions are the Actual Revenue History (ARH) Tart Cherry for Processing Pilot Crop Provisions. The ARH Endorsement must also be in effect before cherries can be insured under the ARH Tart Cherry for Processing Pilot Crop Provisions.
- WHEAT:
 - Trend Adjustment (TA) option was added to an additional five counties (Grant, Iowa, Juneau, Lafayette, and Marquette). TA option will be available in 35 Wisconsin counties for 2014.

NOTE: *This is not an official document*

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