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## **Crop Insurance Resources Available for Minnesota and Wisconsin Farmers**

Crop Fact Sheets Updated for 2016 Fall Crops

SAINT PAUL, Minn., Oct. 15, 2015 — USDA's Risk Management Agency (RMA) reminds farmers that updated fact sheets are available for apples, cranberries, forage production, and tart cherries insured under the federal crop insurance program in Minnesota and Wisconsin. Crop insurance provides protection against crop production losses due to natural perils such as drought, hail, and excessive moisture. To view these fact sheets, go to the <u>St. Paul Regional Office</u> website.

These crop fact sheets provide a summary of the insured crop, causes of loss, the insurance period, reporting requirements, important dates, coverage levels, premium subsidies, prices, unit divisions, insurance plans, a loss example, and contact information. The fact sheets are a useful tool for farmers to quickly gain knowledge about insurable crops.

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 <u>Agent Locator</u>. Producers can use the RMA <u>Cost Estimator</u> to get a premium amount estimate of their insurance needs online. Learn more about crop insurance and the modern farm safety net at <u>www.rma.usda.gov</u>.

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