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## **Crop Insurance Deadline Nears in Pennsylvania** ***Growers with Fall-Seeded Forage Crops Need to Make Insurance Decisions Soon***

RALEIGH, N.C., July 1, 2015 – USDA’s Risk Management Agency (RMA) reminds Pennsylvania fall-seeded forage growers that the final date for a new applicant to apply for 2016 fall-seeded forage crop insurance is July 31, 2015. Crop Insurance is a safety net for fall-seeded forage produced in eligible counties, providing coverage up to 75 percent of the historic average yield.

Newly-seeded acreage of alfalfa and forage mixtures containing at least 50-percent (by weight) alfalfa, clover, birdsfoot trefoil, or any other locally recognized and approved forage legume species may be covered under the policy in all Pennsylvania counties except Philadelphia. This acreage must be planted by August 31, 2015. Coverage ends the date of the total destruction of the crop, initial harvest, commencement of grazing, the final adjustment of a loss, or abandonment of the crop, whichever is earliest.

Growers are strongly urged to contact a crop insurance agent as soon as possible for premium quotes and more details. 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. Learn more about crop insurance and the modern farm safety net at: [www.rma.usda.gov](http://www.rma.usda.gov).

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