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# 2010 COMMODITY INSURANCE FACT SHEET

# Rice-Crop Revenue Coverage Oklahoma, Texas

**Crop Revenue Coverage** (CRC) provides revenue protection against a decline in market prices as well as a shortfall in production. Under CRC, the guarantee is in dollars. A loss situation arises when the dollar value of your production falls below the final dollar guarantee. CRC provides protection whether prices are rising or falling:

- In a year of rising prices, production shortfalls are compensated at the higher market-based harvest price. This is important if any lost production must be replaced at higher market prices to fulfill delivery on a forward contract;
- In years of falling prices, your minimum guarantee ensures that you will receive a pre-determined amount of income per acre, regardless of yields or prices.

# **Causes of Loss**

CRC provides protection against unavoidable loss of revenue due to the following causes in the insurance period:

Adverse weather conditions<sup>1</sup> Failure of irrigation water supply<sup>2</sup> Fire Harvest price less than base price Insects<sup>3</sup> Plant disease<sup>3</sup> Wildlife

<sup>1</sup>Natural perils such as hail, frost, freeze, wind, drought, and excess moisture. <sup>2</sup>If caused by an insured peril. <sup>3</sup>But not damage due to insufficient or improper application of recommended control measures.

# **Insurance Period**

Coverage usually begins when the insured crop is planted and ends the earliest of: (1) destruction of the crop, (2) harvest of the crop, (3) abandonment of the crop, (4) final adjustment of a claim, or (5) October 31 immediately following planting.

#### **Important Dates**

Note: Sales closing, final planting and acreage re-

porting dates vary by county. Consult a crop insurance professional for specific dates in your county.

#### **Definitions**

**Coverage Level**— Levels of protection available are from 50 to 85 percent of approved average yield.

**Base Price**—The price used to calculate the Minimum Guarantee and the premium is based on the November of Chicago Board of Trade (CBOT) futures contracts average daily price during the period January 30—February 13 of the year the crop is planted.

**Minimum Guarantee**—The guaranteed minimum dollar protection is the average yield X base price X coverage level percent:

Example: 800 pounds per acre X \$.60 X 75 percent = \$360 per acre minimum guarantee

**Harvest Price**—The price used to determine calculated revenue and harvest guarantee is based on the November CBOT futures average daily price during the month September.

**Harvest Guarantee**—Average yield X harvest price X coverage level percent:

Example: 800 pounds per acre produced X \$.50 X 75 percent = \$300 per acre harvest guarantee

**Calculated Revenue**—Value of your actual production determined by pounds produced X harvest price: Example: 200 pounds per acre produced X \$.50 = \$100 per acre calculated revenue

Note: The actual price you receive for selling your crop is **not** a factor in CRC calculations.

This fact sheet gives only a general overview of the crop insurance program and is not a complete policy. For further information and an evaluation of your risk management needs, contact a crop insurance agent.

**Final Guarantee**— Higher of the minimum or harvest guarantee.

Note: Your premium will **not** increase if final guarantee is higher than the minimum guarantee.

Indemnity—Final guarantee – calculated revenue

Example: \$360 - \$100 = \$260 indemnity

# **Price Elections**

\* Available after February .

Year	Base Price*	Harvest Price**
2010	.14	
2009	.131	.136
2008	.144	.16

\*\* Available after October .

\*\*\* Base & Harvest price vary from county to county in Texasconsult the link below for your county.

Price elections will be posted on the RMA Web site at: <u>http://www3.rma.usda.gov/apps/pricesinquiry/</u>

#### **Insurance Units**

Your insurable acreage is grouped into a unit based on your selection of one of the following unit arrangements.

**Basic Unit:** A basic insurance unit includes all of your rice acreage in the county by share arrangement. For example, the rice acreage on your own farm (including land cash rented) would be one basic unit, while other land on shares with someone else would be a second basic unit. Premiums are reduced 10 percent for a basic unit.

**Optional Units:** Provisions in the basic provisions that allow optional units by irrigated and non-irrigated practices are not applicable.

**Enterprise Unit:** An enterprise unit combines all your rice in the county into one county-wide unit, regardless of ownership, share, or rental arrangement. A varying premium discount will apply, based upon the number of insured acres. You must qualify for two or more basic units in order to be eligible for an enterprise unit.

# Loss Example

This example assumes average yield of 800 pounds per acre, base price of \$.60, harvest price of \$.50, 200 pounds per acre production-to-count, and 65 percent coverage level.

800	Pounds per acre approved yield
<u>x .65</u>	Coverage level
520	Pounds per acre guarantee basis
<u>x .60</u>	Base price per pound
\$312	Minimum guarantee per acre
	If harvest price is \$.50 per lb, then the
	harvest guarantee would be \$260
	(520 pounds per acre X $.50 = 260$ per acre)
\$312	Final guarantee per acre (greater of minimum or harvest guarantee)
- 100	Calculated revenue (200 pounds per
	acre produced X \$.50 harvest price)
212	Indemnity per acre
- 9	Approximate cost per acre
\$203	Net indemnity per acre

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