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2006 COMMODITY INSURANCE FACT SHEET

Onions for Processing

Klamath and Morrow Counties, Oregon

Crop Insured

All spring planted white and yellow storage type onions contracted for dehydration and processing utilization. Other onion types are also insurable in Morrow county, Oregon.

Counties Available

Klamath and Morrow counties, Oregon

Causes of Loss

Adverse weather conditions; fire; insects and plant disease (but not damage due to insufficient or improper application of control measures); wildlife; earthquake; volcanic eruption; or, failure of the irrigation water supply, if caused by an insured peril that occurs during the insurance period.

Insurance Period

The insurance period ends on a unit basis the **earliest** of: 1) total destruction of the crop; 2) abandonment; 3) removal of the onions from the field; 4) 14 days after lifting or digging; 5) final adjustment of a loss; or 6) the calendar date for the end of the insurance period, October 15.

Important Dates

Sales Closing	February 1
Final Planting Date	. See County Actuarial
Acreage Report Date	June 30
Cancellation and Termination Date	

Price Elections

Price used to calculate your premium, liability, and indemnity. Choices vary by level of coverage. (Please check with your crop insurance agent for price election changes for the current crop year.)

Production Guarantees

Based on actual production history, with your choice of 50 to 75 percent of your approved average yield, (in 5 percent increments). Production guarantees depend on the stage that the loss occurs:

(1) First stage: (a) For direct seeded storage onions, from planting until the emergence of the fourth leaf; and (b) for transplanted storage onions, from transplanting of onion plants or sets through the 30th day after transplanting. Guarantee is typically: 35 percent of the final stage production guarantee for direct seeded storage onions and 45 percent of the final stage production guarantee storage onions. The special provisions amend the first stage guarantee for direct seeded storage onions to 45 percent.

(2) Second stage: (a) For direct seeded storage, from the emergence of the fourth leaf; and (b) For transplanted storage, from the 31st day after transplanting until the completion of topping and lifting or digging. Guarantee is: 70 percent of the final stage production guarantee for direct seeded storage onions and 60 percent of the final stage production guarantee for transplanted storage onions, unless otherwise specified in the special provisions.

(3) Final stage: From the completion of topping and lifting or digging on the acreage until the end of the insurance period. Guarantee is the approved yield per acre multiplied by the coverage level percentage you elect.

Damaged Onions

As amended by the special provisions shall be onions that do not grade U.S. No. 2 as described under the U.S. standards of onions for processing.

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.

Administrative Fees

Catastrophic (CAT) Coverage: \$100 per crop per county. *Additional Coverage*: \$30 per crop per county. Waivers of administrative fees for **all** coverage levels (CAT and additional) are available for limited resource farmers.

Late or Prevented Planting

Late and prevented planting provisions are available.

Replant Payment

A replanting payment is allowed if the crop is damaged by an insurable cause of loss to the extent that the remaining stand will not produce at least 90 percent of the final stage production guarantee for the acreage and we determine that it is practical to replant. Replant payments are not applicable to onions insured under the CAT endorsement.

Loss Example—Processing Onions

Example assumes 75-percent coverage, 100-percent price election of \$4.50 per cwt, and an average yield of 460 cwt per acre and 100-percent share. Grower harvests 260 cwt per acre.

- 460 Cwt per acre average yield (APH)
- <u>x .75</u> Coverage level
- 345 Cwt per acre guarantee
- 260 Cwt per acre actually produced
- 85 Cwt per acre loss
- x \$4.50 Price election (@ 100 percent)
- **\$382.50** Gross indemnity per acre

Where to Purchase

All MPCI, including CAT coverage insurance policies, are available from private insurance agents. A list of crop insurance agents is available at all USDA service centers or at the RMA website: http://www3.rma.usda.gov/tools/agents/companies/

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