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RMA Announces Expanded Availability for Dry Pea Coverage and Reminds Farmers of the Upcoming Whole Farm and Multiple Peril Crop Insurance Sales Closing Dates

SPOKANE, Wash., Jan 14, 2014 – The United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Risk Management Agency (RMA) announced the expanded availability for dry pea coverage. The agency also reminds producers of the winter and spring sales closing dates for multiple peril crop insurance programs, whole farm insurance programs, the Adjusted Gross Revenue Pilot, and Adjusted Gross Revenue-Lite. AGR and AGR-Lite cover most farm-raised crops, animals, and animal products.

Crop insurance is now available for dry pea coverage in Boundary County, Idaho (spring planted types with non-irrigated and organically grown practices).

Upcoming Sales Closing Dates

- **January 31, 2014** Last day to buy or change AGR insurance in select counties in Idaho, Oregon, and Washington. Last day to submit required documents to continue or change 2014 AGR-Lite insurance for existing policy holders.
- February 3, 2014 Last day to buy or change crop insurance coverage for 2014 spring planted onions in Idaho, Oregon, and Washington and cabbage in Oregon and Washington.
- March 17, 2014 Last day to buy or change all other spring seeded multiple peril crop insurance coverage (excluding wheat in counties with fall and spring planted types). Last day to buy 2014 AGR-Lite insurance for new application/enrollment policies.

Current policyholders and uninsured growers must make all of their decisions on crop insurance coverage before the sales closing date. If there is no coverage in a county for a specific crop under the traditional multiple peril crop insurance program, producers may ask a crop insurance agent whether they would be eligible for coverage under a written agreement.

Producers are encouraged to visit their crop insurance agent soon to learn specific details for the 2014 crop year. Federal crop insurance program policies are sold and delivered solely through private crop insurance companies and agents. A list of crop insurance agents is available at all USDA service centers throughout the United States or on the RMA website at www3.rma.usda.gov/tools/agents.

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