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INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM

TO: All Approved Insurance Providers Writing in the State of Kansas

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SUBJECT: 2021 Crop Year Following Another Crop (FAC) and Not Following

Another Crop (NFAC) Practices and Irrigated Highest Yielding Practice

Designation in 29 Counties in Kansas

BACKGROUND

For the 2021 and succeeding crop years, the Topeka Regional Office added Irrigated and Non-Irrigated Following Another Crop (FAC) and Not Following Another Crop (NFAC) practices to the soybean actuarial documents in 29 counties in Kansas. The following is a list of Kansas (State FIPS Code: 20) counties where this change was made:

	County FIPS		County FIPS	County	County
County Name	Code	County Name	Code	Name	FIPS Code
Allen	001	Elk	049	Miami	121
Anderson	003	Franklin	059	Morris	127
Bourbon	011	Geary	061	Osage	139
Butler	015	Greenwood	073	Saline	169
Chase	017	Harvey	079	Sedgwick	173
Chautauqua	019	Johnson	091	Shawnee	177
Coffey	031	Linn	107	Sumner	191
Cowley	035	Lyon	111	Wabaunsee	197
Dickinson	041	McPherson	113	Woodson	207
Douglas	045	Marion	115		

- The FAC and NFAC practices replaced Irrigated (002) and Non-Irrigated (003) practices for each soybean type in the affected counties
- The Transitional yields (T-Yields) for Irrigated FAC and NFAC are the same in the actuarial documents.

BACKGROUND (continued)

• The FCIC 18010- Crop Insurance Handbook (CIH)) Paragraph 1715, D. Attribution, states: "If the published T-Yields are the same, attribute the total acres and production to the highest yielding practice as designated by Risk Management Agency (RMA) (e.g., irrigated if irrigated and non-irrigated practices; Summer Fallow(SF), if SF and Continuous Cropping practices; spring wheat, if spring and durum wheat types; winter wheat, if spring and winter types production was commingled)."

ACTION

This Information Memorandum is providing Approved Insurance Providers (AIP) that:

• The FCIC 18010-1 Crop Insurance Handbook (CIH) Para. 1519 provides instructions on dividing Actual Production History (APH) databases when actuarial documents specify new practices/types. In the Kansas counties listed above, the irrigated and non-irrigated practices have been divided into FAC and NFAC cropping practices for 2021 and subsequent crop years. In those cases, the APH databases for the irrigated and non-irrigated practices must also be divided into FAC and NFAC when FAC and/or NFAC have been produced in previous crop years or the policyholder plans to plant using those practices for the current crop year.

For the 2021 crop year only in such cases, the irrigated APH databases may be separated by duplicating prior years history for the irrigated practice for the FAC/NFAC cropping practice, as provided in the exception in CIH Para. 1519 for dividing fall and winter or spring into additional practice due to establishment of multiple planting periods. Yield descriptors "DA," "DV" and "DG" will be used to identify such duplicated actual production history. Production and acres for irrigated FAC and NFAC cropping practices must be reported and maintained separate in subsequent crop years. For this exception to apply, policyholders must file acceptable production reports in accordance to the new cropping practice for the current crop year in accordance with CIH Para. 1519.

Approved Insurance Providers (AIP) are requested to notify policyholders in these 29 counties of these changes and how separate APH databases for the new FAC and NFAC cropping practices must be established.

2021 Crop Year Following Another Crop (FAC) and Not Following Another Crop (NFAC) Practices and Highest Yielding Practice Designation in 29 Counties in Kansas

ACTION (continued)

• the FCIC 18010-1 Crop Insurance Handbook (CIH) Para. 1715, D requires RMA to designate the highest yielding practice. AIPs writing policies in the above 29 counties in Kansas and the soybean T-Yield for Irrigated FAC and NFAC practices are the same, RMA designates Irrigated NFAC is the highest yielding practice.

AIPs are requested to notify policyholders in these 29 counties of this exception for the 2021 Crop Year.

DISPOSAL DATE

December 31, 2021