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## **Important Crop Insurance Deadline Nears in Florida**

*Potato, Sugarcane, Oat and Wheat Growers Need to Make Decisions Soon*

VALDOSTA, Ga., Sept. 16, 2015 — The USDA's Risk Management Agency (RMA) reminds growers of the September 30 deadline to purchase crop insurance in Florida. This deadline applies to crop insurance policies for potatoes in Charlotte, Collier, Flagler, Highlands, Indian River, Lee, Manatee, Okeechobee, Putnam, St. Johns, and Suwannee counties; sugarcane in Glades, Hendry, Martin, and Palm Beach counties; oats in Alachua, Calhoun, Escambia, Gadsden, Holmes, Jackson, Jefferson, Levy, Okaloosa, Walton, and Washington counties; and wheat in select counties. Growers need to buy, review, or modify their crop insurance policies before the sales closing date has passed. Crop insurance provides protection against crop production losses due to natural perils such as drought, hail, and excessive moisture.

A list of crop insurance agents is available at all USDA Service Centers and online at the RMA [Agent Locator](#). Growers 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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