



April 28, 2012

United States
Department of
Agriculture

INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM

Farm and Foreign
Agricultural Services

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

Risk
Management
Agency

FROM: Rebecca Davis /s/ Rebecca Davis
Director, Topeka RO

Topeka Regional Office

SUBJECT: Actuarial Rates Resulting from Breached Levees in Callaway County,
Missouri – *This memo supplements the March 4, 2014 Callaway County
Missouri memo*

2641 SW Wanamaker
Road
Suite 201
Topeka, Kansas 66614-
4971

Telephone:
(785) 228-5512

Fax:
(785) 228-1456

I. BACKGROUND

Due to the 2013 flood event, levees along the Missouri River and tributaries in Callaway County, Missouri were breached. The following is a 2014 crop year policy provision in the Special Provisions for spring crops in Callaway County:

“Land flooded due to a breach in a levee resulting from prior year(s) flooding is insurable. The applicable rate will be assigned based on conditions of the levee and soils on the latter of the sales closing date or earliest planting date. If, by that date, the levee has not been repaired to prior specifications, or if damaged soil (if any) has not been restored to at least the same crop yield potential as prior to the flood event, the land will be classified as high risk and will have the highest rate classification in the county. However, if the levee has been repaired to prior specifications and the soil has at least the same crop yield potential as before the flood, the land will be classified as shown on the current crop year Actuarial Map.”

II. STATUS OF BREACHED LEVEES AFFECTING CALLAWAY COUNTY MISSOURI AS OF APRIL 25, 2014

A. Repaired to Prior Specifications:

The following breached levee (s) have been repaired to prior specifications:

- *Tebbetts East Levee District (repaired as of April 4, 2014)*
- *Jacobs Levee District (repaired as of April 23, 2014)*

B. Not Repaired to Prior Specifications:

The following breached levee(s) have not been repaired to prior specifications:

- *None. All levees have been repaired to prior specifications.*

April 28, 2014

2.

III. ACTION

For crop land flooded by a breached levee, the Approved Insurance Provider (AIP) is responsible for ensuring the stipulations in the breached levee statement are followed accordingly.

For more information on the breached levee statement, including “prior specifications”, “damaged soil”, and requesting written agreements, please visit our Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document at

http://www.rma.usda.gov/fields/ms_rso/2011/FAQbreachedlevee.pdf

Below is a list of Earliest Planting Dates for spring planted crops Callaway County, Missouri:

Earliest Planting Date – Corn – April 1, 2014

Earliest Planting Date – Soybeans – April 20, 2014

Earliest Planting Date – Grain Sorghum – April 21, 2014

TEBBETTS EAST LEVEE DISTRICT – repaired as of April 4th, 2014

Grain Sorghum and Soybeans: The Earliest Planting Date has not passed prior to the levee being repaired to prior specifications. Therefore, the applicable high risk map is the Actuarial Map posted to the RMA Actuarial Information Browser for the 2014 crop year.

Corn: The Earliest Planting Date has passed prior to the levee being repaired to prior specifications. Therefore, the applicable high risk map for land flooded by a breached levee in 2013 is the map (issued via our March 4th, 2014 memo) which can be found at: ftp://ftp.rma.usda.gov/pub/Miscellaneous_Files/Breached_Levees/

A couple of key points, as discussed in the breached levee FAQ, concerning premium rates for land flooded due to a breached levee in 2013:

- If Corn was planted before April 4th, 2014, the applicable rate will be that rate identified using the map issued with the March 4th, 2014 memo.
- If Corn had NOT been planted before April 4th, 2014, producers may submit a Request for Actuarial Change (Written Agreement Request) through their crop insurance agent to RMA to re-examine the rates in accordance with Section 3 (k) and Section 18 of the Common Crop Insurance Policy Basic Provisions. If Corn was planted before the

producer signs the Written Agreement Request, the producer must specify the date Corn was planted. Failure to provide this information may result in a denial of the request.

JACOBS LEVEE DISTRICT – repaired as of April 23rd, 2014

All Spring Planted crops (Corn, Grain Sorghum & Soybeans): The Earliest Planting Date has passed prior to the levee being repaired to prior specifications. Therefore, the applicable high risk map for land flooded by a breached levee in 2013 is the map (issued via our March 4th, 2014 memo) which can be found at:

ftp://ftp.rma.usda.gov/pub/Miscellaneous_Files/Breached_Levees/

A couple of key points, as discussed in the breached levee FAQ, concerning premium rates for land flooded due to a breached levee in 2013:

- If a crop(s) was planted before April 23rd, 2014, the applicable rate will be that rate identified using the map issued with the March 4th, 2014 memo.
- If a crop(s) had NOT been planted before April 23rd, 2014, producers may submit a Request for Actuarial Change (Written Agreement Request) through their crop insurance agent to RMA to re-examine the rates in accordance with Section 3 (k) and Section 18 of the Common Crop Insurance Policy Basic Provisions. If the requested crop(s) was planted before the producer signs the Written Agreement Request, the producer must specify the date the requested crop(s) was planted. Failure to provide this information may result in a denial of the request.