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## **Crop Insurance Deadline Nears in Massachusetts**

RALEIGH, N.C., Oct. 30, 2014 — USDA's Risk Management Agency (RMA) reminds Massachusetts clam producers that the final date to apply for crop insurance on next year's crop is November 30, 2014. Current policyholders who wish to make changes to their existing policies also have until November 30 to do so. Clam insurance is currently available under a pilot program in Barnstable, Bristol, Dukes, Nantucket, and Plymouth counties.

The amount of coverage is based upon an inventory value of your clam beds with a price election of \$.17 per clam. Crop insurance provides effective protection against death of clams due to oxygen depletion, disease, freeze, hurricane, decrease of salinity, tidal wave, storm surge, and ice floe.

Producers should contact a local crop insurance agent for premium quotes and other details. For more information, producers are encouraged to visit the RMA website at [www.rma.usda.gov](http://www.rma.usda.gov), or to contact their local crop insurance agent as soon as possible.

Crop insurance is sold and delivered solely through private crop insurance agents. A list of crop insurance agents is available at all USDA Service Centers or on the RMA website at: [www.rma.usda.gov/tools/agents/](http://www.rma.usda.gov/tools/agents/).

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