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INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM

TO: Raleigh Region Approved Insurance Providers

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SUBJECT: Additional Similar Crop added to the Written Agreement Handbook,
Exhibit 16 Similar Crop Chart for Fresh Market Sweet Corn in North
Carolina

BACKGROUND

New written agreement requests for crops in counties without actuarial documents (XC type) may rely on the producer to provide production history of a similar crop if they have not previously grown the requested crop for the qualifying minimum number of (three) years. Subparagraph 85C(1) of the 2021 Written Agreement Handbook (WAH) states, "The Similar Crop Chart (see Exhibit 16), and supplemental additions provided on the RO website, must be used as a guide to identify similar crops." The following is an authorized addition to the WAH listing for similar crops.

ACTION

For the state of North Carolina only, Fresh Market Beans may be used as a qualifying similar crop for Fresh Market Sweet Corn for XC type written agreements only.

DISPOSAL DATE

This guidance will remain in effect until Exhibit 16 of the WAH is updated with these or other similar crop designations. Please contact the Raleigh Regional Office at RSONC@usda.gov if you have any questions.