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Important Crop Insurance Deadline Nears in Florida

Blueberry Growers Need to Make Decisions Soon

VALDOSTA, Ga., Nov. 5, 2015 - The USDA's Risk Management Agency (RMA) reminds growers of the November 20 deadline to purchase crop insurance in Florida.

Crop insurance coverage is available for blueberries in Alachua, Citrus, De Soto, Hardee, Hernando, Highlands, Hillsborough, Lake, Marion, Pasco, Polk, Putnam, and Sumter 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.

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 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.

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