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Crop Insurance Deadline Nears in Florida

Avocado Fruit Growers Need to Make Insurance Decisions Soon

VALDOSTA, Ga., Nov. 16, 2017 - USDA's Risk Management Agency (RMA) reminds Florida avocado fruit growers that the final date to apply for crop insurance coverage is November 30. Current policyholders who wish to make changes to their existing coverage also have until the November 30 sales closing date to do so.

Crop insurance is a key component of the farm safety net as it provides protection against a loss in production due to natural perils such as drought or excessive moisture. Coverage is available for avocado fruit in Miami-Dade County.

Growers are encouraged to visit their crop insurance agent soon to learn specific details for the 2017 crop year. 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.

For more information about crop insurance and the modern farm safety net, visit www.rma.usda.gov.

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