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Crop Insurance Deadline Nears in Iowa, Minnesota, and Wisconsin for Spring Planted Crops, Whole-Farm Revenue Protection, and Micro Farm Program

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**SAINT PAUL, Minn., Feb. 15, 2024** — USDA's Risk Management Agency (RMA) reminds lowa, Minnesota, and Wisconsin growers that the final date to apply for or make changes to their existing crop insurance coverage for spring planted crops is March 15 for the 2024 Crop Year. This includes such crops as barley, buckwheat, cabbage, canola, cigar binder tobacco, corn, cucumbers, dry beans, dry peas, flax, forage seeding, grain sorghum, green peas, hemp, hybrid seed corn, oats, onions, popcorn, potatoes, processing beans, soybeans, sugar beets, sunflowers, sweet corn, triticale, and wheat as well as options and endorsements, like Yield Exclusion. Growers also have until March 15 to apply for or make changes to their Whole-Farm Revenue Protection policy and until April 15 for their Micro Farm Program policy.

Federal crop insurance is critical to the farm safety net. It helps producers and owners manage revenue risks and strengthens the rural economy. Growers may select from several coverage options, including yield coverage, revenue protection, and area risk plans of insurance. Additional information can be found on the Actuarial Information Browser page on the RMA website.

Growers are encouraged to visit their crop insurance agent soon to learn specific details for the 2024 crop year.

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 <u>RMA Agent Locator</u>. Learn more about crop insurance and the modern farm safety net at rma.usda.gov.

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