PM-24-082: Flax Revenue and Expanded Unit Options for Crop Insurance Final Rule Effective for the 2025 and Succeeding Crop Years

View PDF Date November 27, 2024 To All Approved Insurance Providers All Risk Management Agency Field Offices All Other Interested Parties From Richard H. Flournoy, Deputy Administrator /s/ John W. Underwood for Subject Flax Revenue and Expanded Unit Options for Crop Insurance Final Rule Effective for the 2025 and Succeeding Crop Years

BACKGROUND:

On November 27, 2024, the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation (FCIC) published a final rule in the Federal Register that amended the Area Risk Protection Insurance (ARPI), Basic Provisions, and various Crop Provisions.

The following changes apply for the 2025 and succeeding crop years for the November 30, 2024, contract change date and for the 2026 and succeeding crop years for crops with earlier contract change dates:

- Expands revenue protection (revenue protection and revenue protection with harvest price exclusion) to flax, matching available coverage for barley, oats, rye, and wheat.
- Allows enterprise and optional units by organic farming practice in the:
 - $\circ\,$ Green Pea Crop Provisions; and

- Processing Sweet Corn Crop Provisions.
- Combines written agreement deadlines in the Dry Bean Crop Provisions to reduce confusion and administrative complexity when a producer requests a written agreement by more than one criteria.
- Makes various clarifications and corrections in the:
 - Area Risk Protection Insurance Basic Provisions;
 - Central and Southern Potato Crop Provisions;
 - Dry Bean Crop Provisions;
 - Green Pea Crop Provisions;
 - Processing Sweet Corn Crop Provisions; and
 - Small Grains Crop Provisions.

FCIC invites you to submit comments on this rule through the close of business on January 27, 2025, at <u>regulations.gov</u>.

ACTION:

The following documents will be available by November 30, 2024, on the Risk Management Agency (RMA) website at <u>www.rma.usda.gov</u>:

Basic Provisions

• Area Risk Protection Insurance, Basic Provisions (25.1-ARPI)

Commodity Exchange Price Provisions

• Section II - Flax (25-CEPP-0031)

Crop Provisions

- Small Grains (25.1-0011)
- Green Pea (25-064)
- Central and Southern Potato (25.1-0284)
- Dry Bean (25-0047)
- Processing Sweet Corn (25-042)

Fact Sheets

• Small Grains: Buckwheat, Flax, Oats, and Rye

AIPs must notify producers of these changes at least 30 days prior to the cancellation date, as required by the policy. Interested producers should contact a crop insurance agent for further information. A list of agents can be found on the RMA website at www.rma.usda.gov/tools-reports/agent-locator.

DISPOSAL DATE:

December 31, 2025