MGR-25-003: New Breaking Relief for the 2025 Crop Year

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To

All Approved Insurance Providers
All Risk Management Agency Field Offices
All Other Interested Parties

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Subject

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BACKGROUND:

For crops with a November 30, 2024, contract change date, the Risk Management Agency (RMA) added an insurability requirement for new breaking acreage through a Special Provision statement, which stated:

The policyholder must provide documentation that 75 percent or more of the new breaking acreage by field (or within an existing field if only a portion of the field is new breaking acreage) is composed of soil types defined as Capability Class I, II, III, or IV as determined by the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Web Soil Survey [https://websoilsurvey.nrcs.usda.gov/app/].

This requirement put undue insurability restrictions on new breaking acreage, which is already required to be insured with a reduced yield guarantee.

ACTION:

For the 2025 crop year, RMA is providing relief from the above new breaking Special Provision statement by rescinding this requirement. Therefore, new breaking acreage will now be insurable according to Section 9 of the Common Crop Insurance Policy, Basic Provisions.