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## **USDA Extends Sales Period for Canola and Rapeseed Crop Insurance Program in the Pacific Northwest**

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**SPOKANE, Wash., July 7, 2025** – The U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) [Risk Management Agency](#) (RMA) announced the sales closing date will move from August 31 to September 30 for the Canola and Rapeseed crop insurance program in Idaho, Oregon and Washington for the 2026 and succeeding crop years.

“This change will align the canola sales period with other fall planted crops in the area, giving canola producers more time to make insurance decisions,” said Ben Thiel, Director of the RMA Regional Office in Spokane. “This also will reduce the administrative burden on agents and producers.”

The Canola and Rapeseed crop insurance program provides revenue or yield protection to producers who plant canola for harvest as seed. Nationally, canola and rapeseed producers insured \$777 million in covered liabilities on 2.6 million acres in 2024. Of that number, producers in the Pacific Northwest insured \$66 million in liabilities on 220,000 acres.

### **More Information**

RMA secures the future of agriculture by providing world class risk management tools to rural America through Federal crop insurance and risk management education programs. RMA provides policies for more than 130 crops and is constantly working to adjust and create new policies based on producer needs and feedback.?

Crop insurance is sold and delivered solely through private crop insurance agents. A list of crop insurance agents is available online at the [RMA Agent Locator](#). Producers can learn more about crop insurance and the modern farm safety net at [rma.usda.gov](http://rma.usda.gov) or by contacting their [RMA Regional Office](#). RMA's [Basics for Beginners](#) provides information for those new to crop insurance.

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