



PM-26-003: Hybrid Wheat Seed Implementation Effective for the 2026 and Succeeding Crop Years

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Date

January 14, 2026

To

All Approved Insurance Providers

All Risk Management Agency Field Offices

All Other Interested Parties

From

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Subject

Hybrid Wheat Seed Implementation Effective for the 2026 and Succeeding Crop Years

BACKGROUND:

On December 17, 2025, the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation Board of Directors approved the Hybrid Wheat Seed pilot insurance program under section 523 of the Federal Crop Insurance Act. Features of the program effective for 2026 and succeeding crop years include:

- Yield-based Dollar Plan coverage for growers of hybrid wheat seed.
- Coverage levels are available from 50 to 85 percent.
- The program will be available in select counties in Minnesota and North Dakota.
- The first sales closing date is March 15, 2026, for the 2026 crop year.

ACTION:

The following documents will be available by close of business today on the Risk Management Agency (RMA) website at www.rma.usda.gov.

- Hybrid Wheat Seed Crop Provisions (26-1011)
- Hybrid Wheat Seed Insurance Standards Handbook (FCIC-24450)

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, 2026