

For: State and County Offices

Crop Disaster Program (CDP) RMA-Downloaded Data Clarification

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1 Overview

A Background

Numerous questions have been received by both RMA and FSA about data downloaded by RMA for use with CDP. These questions relate to the following:

- production for dollar value crops
- production for avocados (revenue crop)
- 2006 and 2007 nursery types
- indemnity amounts
- transfer of indemnities.

B Purpose

This notice provides answers and clarifications to the questions that have been received.

2 Corrections and Clarifications

A RMA-Downloaded Data Corrections

The National Office has received numerous reports that the “Production” field on the RMA download contains dollars instead of production for the following:

- dollar value crops
- avocados (revenue policies).

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2 Corrections and Clarifications (Continued)

A RMA-Downloaded Data Corrections (Continued)

The data being downloaded will be corrected by RMA as follows.

- For dollar value crops, RMA will correct the downloaded production from dollars to zero.

Note: The County Office will need to obtain production records from producers.

- For avocados, RMA will convert the downloaded production from dollars to actual production.

Note: County Offices will receive the updates during normal weekly processing.

B 2006 and 2007 Nursery

The National Office has:

- received numerous reports that County Offices were unable to complete applications for 2006 and 2007 nursery because the type that was downloaded from RMA was not found on the crop table

Note: After researching this issue, it was determined that RMA loss records used type 997. Since type 997 was not an approved RMA type on the crop table, applications could not be entered.

- added RMA type 997 as an acceptable RMA type to the insurability file, which will automatically add the type as an acceptable RMA type to the crop table.

Note: County Offices will be notified once this addition is completed.

C Downloaded Indemnity

RMA is receiving numerous inquiries about the indemnity amount being downloaded to FSA. FSA County Offices are referring producers to RMA because the producer feels that the indemnity amount downloaded by RMA is **not** correct.

As a reminder to County Offices as outlined in 5-DAP (Rev. 2), subparagraph 34 A, the net indemnity being downloaded is the gross crop insurance indemnity minus the unsubsidized portion of the premium paid by the producer. County Offices shall ensure that producers are informed of what is actually being downloaded as the indemnity amount.

2 **Corrections and Clarifications (Continued)**

D Transfer of Coverage

Several questions have been asked about how to handle situations when insurance coverage has been transferred from an insured to another entity or individual.

The RMA download will never reflect a producer who obtained insurance coverage through a transfer of coverage and right to an indemnity. Only the original insured will be reflected in the RMA download. If an applicant who files for CDP is **not** reflected in the RMA download, the County Office shall request the applicant to provide a copy of the reinsured company's initiated Transfer of Coverage and Right to an Indemnity form to support that insurance coverage was obtained through a transfer.

Since each reinsured company can develop their own Transfer of Coverage and Right to an Indemnity form, the form must include at least the following:

- transferor's name, address, and policy number (including land identifier)
- transferee's name, address, Social Security number or identification number, and identification number type
- approved insurance provider's name and address
- crop, crop year, unit number, acreage, and share transferred
- effective date of the transfer and nature of the transfer
- signature and date of the transferor, transferee, and agent (including the agent's code number).

Once the Transfer of Coverage and Right to an Indemnity form is obtained and verified, the County Office shall load the transferee using "Cmd16" according to 5-DAP (Rev. 2), paragraph 348.