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Date

June 29, 2020

To

All Approved Insurance Providers

All Risk Management Agency Field Offices

All Other Interested Parties

From

Martin R. Barbre, Administrator

Subject

Conversion of the Grass Seed Program to Permanent Status

# **Background**

The Grass Seed Insurance Program has been piloted to determine acceptance by producers as an effective and affordable risk management tool and to assure the program is actuarially sound. The Federal Crop Insurance Corporation Board of Directors (Board) granted approval for the conversion of the program from pilot to permanent status based on the favorable pilot program experience.

The Farm Service Agency (FSA) uses the Risk Management Agency (RMA) designation of pilot or permanent program in their consideration of Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) availability. NAP availability is not impacted until the subsequent year if the RMA notification of conversion to permanent status is issued less than 90 days before the next NAP application date. NAP availability will solely be determined by the FSA.

### **Action**

The Grass Seed program was determined by the Board to be permanent after the pilot testing was complete. This program is now being converted to permanent program status for the crop year listed below:

Crop	FCIC Crop	<b>Contract Change</b>	<b>Effective Crop</b>	Sales Closing
Code	Name	Date	Year	Date
0102	<b>Grass Seed</b>	06/30/2020	Crop Year 2021	09/30/2020

### **DISPOSAL DATE:**

December 31, 2023