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Date

August 28, 2020

To

All Approved Insurance Providers

All Risk Management Agency Field Offices

All Other Interested Parties

From

Richard H. Flournoy, Deputy Administrator /s/ Richard H. Flournoy 8/29/2020

Subject

California Citrus Tree Crop Insurance Program Effective for the 2021 and Succeeding Crop Years

Background

On August 15, 2019, the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation Board of Directors approved the California Citrus Tree (CCT) Crop Insurance Program, under section 508(h) of the Federal Crop Insurance Act. Features of the program effective for the 2021 and succeeding crop years in select California counties include:

- Coverage for grapefruit, lemons, mandarins, oranges, tangelos, tangerines, and any other citrus trees designated in the actuarial documents.
- Separate insurance policies for each commodity, with a separate administrative fee charged for each commodity the producer elects to insure. For example, this allows producers to insure all their lemon trees and none of their grapefruit trees and allows varying coverage levels by commodity.
- Occurrence Loss Option (OLO), which is also available in the other tree-based dollar products, is available for an additional premium.
- Insureds with freeze protection are eligible for a premium discount.
- Coverage of citrus trees by age is available from planting to 4 years.

- Insurable causes of loss are freeze, fire, and failure of the irrigation water supply if caused by an unavoidable naturally occurring event.

Action

The following documents will be available by close of business today on the RMA website at www.rma.usda.gov:

- California Citrus Tree Crop Provisions (21-CCT)
- California Citrus Tree Crop Insurance Standards Handbook (FCIC-20560U)
- California Citrus Tree Loss Adjustment Standards Handbook (FCIC-20560L)

The 2021 crop year sales closing date for the California Citrus Tree Crop Insurance Program is November 1, 2020. 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, 2021