

## **PM-21-046**

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Date

August 30, 2021

To

All Approved Insurance Providers

All Risk Management Agency Field Offices

All Other Interested Parties

From

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Subject

Pistachio Crop Insurance Changes Effective for the 2022 and Succeeding Crop Years

## **Background**

The Risk Management Agency (RMA) is implementing changes to the Pistachio Crop Provisions variability adjustment factor (VAF).

The following changes are applicable for the 2022 and succeeding crop years:

- Revise the calculation for VAF to utilize the policyholder's actual yields; and
- Establish VAF minimums and maximums to be used when the calculated VAF is outside an established range.

## **Action**

The following documents will be available by close of business today on the RMA website at [www.rma.usda.gov](http://www.rma.usda.gov):

- Pistachio Crop Provisions (22-0470)
- Pistachio Program Insurance Standards Handbook (FCIC-24320)

Approved Insurance Providers must notify policyholders of these changes at least 30 days prior to the cancellation date, as required by the policy.

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](http://www.rma.usda.gov/tools-reports/agent-locator).

**DISPOSAL DATE:**

December 31,2021