





# Risk Management

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# USDA / RMA Federal Crop Insurance Programs

Like Agriculture Itself, USDA/RMA Crop Insurance Programs are Dynamic...





The information in this presentation does not replace users supersede any procedures or modify any provisions contained in the complete insurance policies.

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# Program Sponsorship, Coordination, and Delivery

The USDA and RMA websites offer information and tools to help producers make better decisions about managing risk and using Federal crop insurance programs.

www.RMA.USDA.gov







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#### **RMA Purpose:**

To promote, support, and regulate sound risk management solutions to preserve and strengthen the economic stability of America's agricultural producers.





When you buy insurance for this...







Is this what you are hoping for?







Why are we mad when we don't receive a payment on livestock or range insurance?

• Use insurance as a tool to mitigate risk not as a speculative money making strategy.





### Pasture, Rangeland and Forage Pilot-Overview

**Intended Use - Grazing** 

- Established acreage of perennial forage
- Intended for grazing by livestock
- Acreage must be suitable for grazing
   Intended Use Haying
- Established acreage of perennial forage
- Intended for haying
- Acreage must be suitable for haying



### Pasture, Rangeland and Forage Pilot-Overview

- Area plans only –
   Losses cover an area called a grid
- No individual coverage –
   Does NOT measure actual individual production
- Index based on deviation from normal/historical
- No loss adjustments, records, etc.
- Timely payments
- Does not reward poor management practices USD Rroducer cannot influence outcomes/losses



## PRF \*2015 Program Results

State	Policies	Acres Insured	Liability	Indemnities	Loss Ratio
CA	508	3.0M	\$44.5M	\$18.4M	1.49
ID	15	94,000	\$2.0M	\$687,648	1.69
NV	65	1.8M	\$26.9M	\$ <i>17.1M</i>	2.57
UT	14	354,000	\$2.9M	\$1.1M	1.89
WY	173	1.5M	\$12.1M	\$326,891	.14
All U.S.	20,801	54.7M	\$1.0B	\$26.1M	.58





### New for 2016

- Vegetation index no longer used
  - OR, ID, UT, WY, NV, AZ, NM and part of CO
- Rainfall index used in all states
  - 2016 crop year





### Rainfall Index

- National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Climate Prediction Center
  - NOAA CPC Data
- Grid is approximately 17X17 miles
- Must select at least two 2-month periods





## Supplemental Information -RMA Website

- Grid ID Locator
- Historical Indices Tool
- Decision Support Tool













