

Forage Production Crop Provisions Changes Effective for the 2027 and Succeeding Crop Years

On May 21, 2026, the FCIC Board approved modifications to the Forage Production Insurance Program. Beginning with the 2027 crop year, the Forage Production Actual Production History (APH) plan of insurance will be converted to Yield Protection (YP), Revenue Protection (RP), and Revenue Protection with Harvest Price Exclusion (RP-HPE) in select counties across 12 states. The existing APH plan remains available in all other states where the program is currently offered.

KEY POINTS

- States with new YP/RP/RP-HPE availability in select counties: California, Idaho, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Washington, and Wisconsin.
- Forage Production Crop Provisions revisions: new definition of 'forage production underwriting report' (required before insurance attaches), updated price and plan references for the new YP/RP/RP-HPE plans, and cancellation and termination dates moved to the Special Provisions.
- New CEPP Section II - Forage Production document introduces definitions, references, values, and weighting factors to support the yield and revenue plans.
- Materials available on rma.usda.gov by June 30, 2026: Forage Production Crop Provisions (27-0033), CEPP Section II - Forage Production (27-CEPP-Forage Production), and the Forage Production Fact Sheet.
- AIPs must notify policyholders of the changes at least 30 days before the cancellation date, as required by the policy.
- For 2027, AIPs will automatically convert APH policies to YP where YP is available; policyholders wanting RP, RP-HPE, or other coverage changes must elect on or before the sales closing date.
- Carryover treatment: 2026 APH policyholders who remain insured under the Forage Production Crop Provisions in 2027 keep continuity of coverage.
- Disposal date for this bulletin is December 31, 2026.

Talk to your agent about how this may impact your policy.