

14th Annual Crop Insurance Conference

Making Crop Insurance Work Better For Managing Price and Yield Risk



Monday, Jan. 15, 2007

**Ramada Plaza Suites and
Conference Center
Fargo, N.D.**

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Who Should Attend

*Crop insurance agents/underwriters
Public officials
Adult vocational-agricultural instructors
Farmers
Professional farm managers
Legislators
Agribusiness leaders
Industry regulators
Commodity group representatives
Agricultural lenders*

Why Should I Attend

The goal of this conference is to enable participants to:

- Integrate crop insurance products with other risk management tools
- Understand major issues facing the crop insurance industry
- Be aware of new risk management products
- Improve professionally

Insurance Continuing Education Credit

The conference has been approved for seven hours of insurance agent continuing education credit in North Dakota and Minnesota and four hours in South Dakota.

Registration

Registration fee of \$80 includes lunch, breaks and conference materials. Please preregister by Jan. 5. Fees are nonrefundable after this date.

- Preregistration is required and will be limited to the first 250 applicants.
- Conference registration badges will be required for admittance.

Local Arrangements

A block of guest rooms has been reserved at the Ramada Plaza Suites at a flat rate of \$74.84 per night for a single, double or two-room suite. Call (701) 277-9000 and ask for the "cisu" group rate. Rooms will be held until Jan. 1.



▼ Schedule

Morning

- 9 a.m. **Welcome**
- 9:05 a.m. **The Future of Crop Insurance**
Bill Murphy, deputy administrator, insurance services, Risk Management Agency, U.S. Department of Agriculture
- 9:55 a.m. **Linking Crop Insurance to Grain Marketing**
Art Barnaby, professor, Ag Economics, Kansas State University
- 10:45 a.m. **Break**
- 11:10 a.m. **Biofuels Impact on Ag**
Dwight Aakre, farm management specialist, Agribusiness and Applied Economics, NDSU
- Noon **Luncheon: Washington Update on Crop Insurance**
U.S. Rep. Earl Pomeroy, keynote address

Afternoon

- 1:15 p.m. **Break**
- 1:30 p.m. **Crop Insurance Issues in the Next Farm Bill**
Art Barnaby, professor, Ag Economics, Kansas State University
- 2:10 p.m. **Personal T-yield and Other Pilot Programs**
Doug Hagel, director, RMA, Billings Region
- 2:50 p.m. **Break**
- 3:05 p.m. **Interpretation of Policies and Procedures at RMA**
Craig Rice, regional director, USDA RMA
- 3:45 p.m. **Regional Weather for the Coming Crop Season**
Dennis Today, Extension state climatologist, South Dakota State University
- 4:25 p.m. **Announcements and Evaluation**
- 4:30 p.m. **Adjourn**

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- North Dakota Lic # _____
- South Dakota Lic # _____

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For additional information, call **(701) 231-8642**

Requests for accommodations related to disability should be made to Sandy Osborne at (701) 231-8642 by Jan. 5, 2007.

Please check any accommodations you may need during the conference:

- Sign language interpreter
- FM amplification system (specify type _____)
- Audio-taped materials
- Sighted guides for assistance to/from specific sessions
- Large print
- Braille
- Other _____