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Commodity-Specific Terms: Forage Rainfall

Section A: Commodities

These Commodity-Specific Terms apply to Established Forage.

Section B: Specific Insured Perils

1. Insufficient rainfall coverage option: Drought is the only Insured Peril.
2. Excess rainfall coverage option: Excess rainfall is the only Insured Peril.

Section C: Available coverage

1 Selection of coverage option

1. You may select the insufficient rainfall coverage option, the excess rainfall coverage option, or both. If you select both options, the coverage value for Hay must be the same for both options.

2 Aggregate Indemnity limit

1. If you have coverage for both the insufficient rainfall coverage option and the excess rainfall coverage option, the total Indemnity payable cannot exceed the selected Hay coverage value.

3 Excess rainfall coverage option

1. If you select the excess rainfall coverage option, Agricorp may pay an Indemnity if the Insured Peril of excess rainfall occurs in the Harvest Period selected.
2. Only one of the following Harvest Periods may be selected:
 - a) May 22-31;
 - b) June 1-10;
 - c) June 11-20;
 - d) June 21-30; or
 - e) July 1-10.
3. The Insured Peril of excess rainfall occurs if there is no five consecutive day period during your chosen Harvest Period

with less than your chosen maximum amount of rainfall (5 mm or 7 mm).

4. The Indemnity is calculated by multiplying your selected coverage value by 35 per cent.
5. Pasture is not eligible for coverage under this option.

4 Insufficient rainfall coverage option

1. If you select the insufficient rainfall coverage option, Agricorp may pay an Indemnity if the Insured Peril of drought occurs.
2. You must choose one of the following sub-options for this option:
 - a) Base: The Indemnity is determined for the Coverage Period and calculated using the Daily Cap, Daily Minimum Threshold, Monthly Cap, equal weighting for rainfall in each month, and Price Index.
 - b) Bimonthly rainfall weighting: The Indemnity is determined for the months of May and June separately from the months of July and August. Sixty per cent of the selected Coverage value is applied to claims for May and June, and 40 per cent to claims for July and August.

This option is calculated using the Daily Cap, Daily Minimum Threshold, Monthly Cap, equal weighting for rainfall in each month, and the Price Index.

- c) Monthly rainfall weighting: The Indemnity is determined for the entire Coverage Period by multiplying the surplus or deficit of rainfall for each month by the following weighting factors:
 - i. May: 1.3;
 - ii. June: 1.2;
 - iii. July: 0.8; and
 - iv. August: 0.7.

This option is calculated using the Daily Cap, Daily Minimum Threshold, Monthly Cap, and the Price Index.

- d) Three-month rainfall weighting: The Indemnity is determined for the months of May, June and July. The calculation for this option uses the Daily Cap, Daily Minimum Threshold, Monthly Cap, equal weighting for rainfall in each month, and Price Index.

Section D: Commodity-specific conditions

1 Selection of Rainfall Collection Sites

1. You must choose up to three Rainfall Collection Sites in the Geographical Township(s) where you produce forage or in an adjacent Geographical Township.
2. If no Rainfall Collection Site is available in the Geographical Township(s) where you produce forage, or in an adjacent Geographical Township, you must choose the closest Rainfall Collection Site.
3. Agricorp may choose an alternative source for rainfall data if data collection at a selected Rainfall Collection Site is interrupted for any reason.

Section E: Cancellation

Not applicable.

Section F: Definitions

C

Coverage Period

For the insufficient rainfall coverage option, the months of May, June, July, and August in each Policy Term.

For the excess rainfall coverage option, the period from the start of the earliest Harvest Period to the end of the last Harvest Period.

D

Daily Cap

The maximum daily accumulation of rainfall.

Daily Minimum Threshold

The minimum daily accumulation of rainfall.

Drought

The accumulated rainfall during a specified period and at a specific location that is less than 85 per cent of the Historical Rainfall.

E

Established Forage

Pure or mixed Acreages of perennial grass or legume plant species that were not newly seeded in the Program Year.

G

Geographical Township

A geographical area as defined by the Geographical Names Board of Canada.

H

Harvest Period

The period that you select for the excess rainfall coverage option, based on when your first cut of Hay typically occurs.

Hay

Established Forage that is cut and harvested.

Historical Rainfall

The average cumulative amount of rainfall, as determined by Agricorp, during a specified period for an underwriting region.

M

Monthly Cap

The maximum monthly accumulation of rainfall.

P

Pasture

Established Forage used for grazing livestock.

Price Index

The increase in the amount of Indemnity paid to account for the additional cost of purchasing replacement forage in periods of drought.

R

Rainfall Station or Rainfall Collection Site

A location determined by Agricorp where rainfall data is collected.

U

Underwriting Region

An area containing Rainfall Collection Sites where Historical Rainfall data is available.