

FLORIDA CITRUS FRUIT APH PROGRAM Q & A

1. How does a grower with the dollar plan elect APH on November 1st if the dollar plan renewal date (and cancellation date) is April 15th, 2021?

The Dollar Amount of Insurance (Dollar) plan covers the 2021 crop with coverage ending from 2/7/21 to 6/30/21, depending on the commodity insured. If the insured elects the Florida Citrus Fruit (FCF) Actual Production History (APH) plan on November 1, 2020, the APH plan covers the 2022 crop beginning December 1, 2020 with coverage ending sometime from 2/7/22 to 6/30/22, depending on the commodity insured. There is no overlap in coverage as the different plans cover two separate crop years.

2. Must a grower formally cancel with dollar plan coverage prior to electing APH coverage if no gap in coverage is the goal?

No, they cover different crop years. Standard practice is to cancel the Dollar policy by the April 15, 2021 cancellation date. Any damage to the 2021 crop including maturing fruit remaining on the tree for the remainder of 2021 insurance period for each applicable commodity would be covered under the 2021 Dollar policy. APH policy coverage would begin on December 1, 2022 for the 2022 crop year and would provide coverage for damage impacting the 2021 bloom and developing and maturing fruit during the 2021 calendar year and extending until the end of the 2022 insurance period, which will fall in the 2022 calendar year. Accordingly, continuous coverage is provided for the insured crop.

3. Will HIP-WI be an option for the APH plan of coverage THIS year?

The FCF APH policy does not contain any provisions that exclude or limit the availability of HIP-WI coverage for the APH program. If the Hurricane Insurance Protection Wind – Index (HIP-WI) program provides coverage in conjunction with the FCF APH program, RMA could make HIP-WI coverage available.

4. Will growers be considered a new insured under the APH program even when having dollar plan as their current plan?

No, a new insured is defined as a person who was not insured the previous crop year without respect to the Approved Insurance Provider (AIP) or plan of insurance.

5. Considering the answer to Question 4, will an inspection be REQUIRED if an inspection was completed prior to this year's dollar plan program?

No, based on section 9 of the policy and paragraph 35 of the CISH, unless the person is a new insured or they have performed cultural practices that would reduce the crop's production from previous levels, there is no stated inspection requirement. Given the statement that "*coverage begins on December 1 of each crop year, unless we inspect the acreage and notify you it does not meet the requirements for insurability contained in your*

policy”, it would be at the AIP’s discretion if a Perennial Crop Pre-Acceptance Inspection Report (PAIR) is warranted.

6. If Agent A with AIP A sells the Dollar Citrus policy to a grower, may Agent B with AIP B sell the APH plan of citrus to the SAME grower due to the unique switch in plan mid-year?

Two different Florida Citrus Fruit policies may be in effect **but not for the same crop year**. For example, the Dollar policy with Agent A could apply to the 2021 crop year and the APH policy with Agent B could apply to the 2022 crop year. The Dollar policy with Agent A must be cancelled by the applicable cancellation date for the Dollar policy prior to the beginning of the 2022 crop year as defined in the Dollar policy.