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## 2008 COMMODITY INSURANCE FACT SHEET

# Dry Peas

## Montana

### Crop Insured

The crop insured is all dry pea types in the county that are planted and grown for harvest as dry peas (not forage), in which the producer has a share, and for which a premium rate is provided by the actuarial table.

### Counties Available

Big Horn, Broadwater, Carbon, Carter, Cascade, Custer, Daniels, Dawson, Fallon, Garfield, Glacier, Judith Basin, McCone, Phillips, Prairie, Richland, Roosevelt, Rosebud, Sheridan, Stillwater, Toole, Treasure, Valley, Wibaux, Yellowstone.

\* For insurance in counties not listed, see your crop insurance agent for details on insuring the crop via a written agreement.

### Causes of Loss

Adverse weather conditions  
Failure of irrigation water supply<sup>1</sup>  
Fire  
Insects<sup>2</sup>  
Plant disease<sup>2</sup>  
Wildlife

<sup>1</sup>If caused by an insured cause of loss occurring during insurance period.

<sup>2</sup>But not due to insufficient or improper application of control measures.

### Insurance Period

Insurance attaches on the later of the date we accept your application or the date the insured crop is planted and ends the earliest of: 1) total destruction of the crop, 2) September 30, 3) harvest, 4) abandonment of the crop, 5) final adjustment of a loss.

### Reporting Requirements

**Acreage Report**—You must report all acreage of your dry peas both insured and uninsured.

### Important Dates

Sales Closing.....March 15  
Production Reporting Date.....April 29  
Final Planting Date (varies by county) April 15-May 25  
Acreage Report Date.....June 30

### Duties in the Event of Damage or Loss

- (1) Protect the crop from further damage by providing sufficient care;
- (2) Notify your agent within 72 hours of your initial discovery of damage (but not later than 15 days after the end of the insurance period);
- (3) You cannot destroy or put the crop to another use without our prior approval.

### Coverage Levels and Premium Subsidies

Coverage levels range from 50 to 75 percent of your average yield. For example, an average yield of 1200 pounds per acre would result in a guarantee of 900 pounds per acre at the 75-percent coverage level. Crop insurance premiums are subsidized as shown in the following table. For example, if you select the 75-percent coverage level, your premium share would be 45 percent of the base premium:

Item	Percent					
Coverage Level	50	55	60	65	70	75
Premium Subsidy	67	64	64	59	59	55
Your Premium Share	33	36	36	41	41	45

Catastrophic (CAT) coverage is fixed at 50 percent of your average yield and 55 percent of the price election. The cost for CAT coverage is an administrative fee of \$100, regardless of the acreage.

## Price Elections

Smooth Green and Yellow.....\$.09/lb.  
Lentil.....\$.15/lb.  
Austrian Winter Pea.....\$.09/lb.  
Forage/Feed Peas Grown for Seed .....\$.09/lb.

## Insurance Units

Your insurable acreage will be grouped into one or more units in order to establish the approved yield, calculate a guarantee, and determine any indemnity.

**Basic Unit:** A basic unit includes all of your dry pea acreage in the county by share arrangement. Premiums are reduced by 10 percent for a basic unit.

**Optional Units:** In addition to, or instead of, establishing optional units by section, section equivalent, and by irrigated and non-irrigated acreage as provided in the unit division provisions contained in the basic provisions, a separate optional unit may be established for each pea type listed in section 1 of the dry pea crop provisions. The 10-percent discount will not apply.

## Prevented Planting

Coverage is available at 60 percent of the production guarantee for timely planted acreage. When paying an additional premium, limited or additional levels of coverage may increase the prevented planting payment to a level specified in the applicable county actuarial document.

## Rotation Requirements

Rotation requirements are stated in the actuarial documents.

## Administrative Fees

**Catastrophic (CAT) Coverage:** \$100 per crop per county. No additional insurance premium is charged.

**Buy Up Coverage:** \$30 per crop per county. An additional insurance premium is charged.

## Loss Example:

Example assumes a 75-percent coverage level and 100 percent of the established price of \$ .06 per acre for smooth green and yellow variety at 100 percent share, and actual production history (APH) of 1,000 pounds per acre.

	1,000	Pounds APH
x	<u>75%</u>	Coverage level
	750	Pounds per acre APH
x	<u>100.0</u>	Acres
	75,000	Lbs unit guarantee
-	<u>40,000</u>	Lbs production
	35,000	Lbs loss
x	<u>0.06</u>	Price election
	\$2,100.00	Indemnity

Your premium will be deducted from an indemnity payment.

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