



ARCPLC Seed Cotton

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Overview

The **Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018 (BBA)** authorizes seed cotton as a covered commodity under the ARC (Agriculture Risk Coverage) and PLC (Price Loss Coverage) programs effective for the **2018** crop year.

Owners of a farm with generic base as of September 30, 2013, and with a recent planting history of covered commodities, have a one-time opportunity to allocate generic base acres.

Steps for Implementation

Step 1 --- Determine if a covered commodity was planted on the farm during the 2009 through 2016 crop years.

Covered Commodities include:

Barley	Flax	Rapeseed	Sorghum, Grain
Beans, Lg Chickpea	Lentils	Rice, Long	Soybeans
Beans, Sm Chickpea	Mustard Seed	Rice, Med Grain	Sunflowers Seed
Canola	Oats	Safflower	Wheat
Corn	Peanuts	Seed Cotton	
Crambe	Peas	Sesame	



Steps for Implementation

Step 2 --- Identify planted and considered planted (P & CP) history of covered commodities, including upland cotton, on the farm with generic base acres.

The letters received by owners in August contained a Reported Covered Commodity History Summary Report of planted acres in 2008 – 2012.



Steps for Implementation

Step 3 --- Current owner(s) of the farm allocate generic base acres to:

- seed cotton

or

- allocate generic base to seed cotton and/or other planted covered commodities as applicable.



Steps for Implementation

Step 4 --- Current owner(s) of the farm update the seed cotton yield.



Steps for Implementation

Step 5 --- Current producer(s) on the farm will elect a program for seed cotton.

ARC-CO or PLC will be chosen for election.

A farm failing to make an election will be considered to have elected PLC for seed cotton.

Steps for Implementation

Step 6 --- The producer(s) on the farm will enroll the farm in ARC/PLC program for 2018 by December 7, 2018.



Generic Base Acre Allocation Options

Option 1: Allocate the farm's generic base acres to **seed cotton** base acres by selecting the higher of the following:

- A. 80 percent of the generic base acres of the farm (remaining 20 percent goes to unassigned base acres for which there will be no payments) *No history of cotton planted
- B. The average of planted and considered (P & CP) upland cotton acres on the farm in crop years 2009-2012, not to exceed the total generic base acres on the farm.



Generic Base Acre Allocation Options

Option 2: Allocate generic base acres in proportion to the 4 yr. average P & CP of covered commodities, including upland cotton, 2009-2012,

to

the total P & CP acres of all covered commodities planted on the farm.

(An increase in total base acres on the farm, as of September 30, 2013, is not allowed.)





Seed Cotton PLC Yield Update

The BBA provides owners of a farm a **one-time** opportunity to update the farm's payment yield for seed cotton with one of the following options:





Seed Cotton PLC Yield Update

Option 1: Retain the Counter-Cyclical (CC) yield for upland cotton, as listed on the farm record as of September 30, 2013, multiplied by 2.4.



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Option 2: Update the upland cotton yield to 90 percent of a simple average of upland cotton yield per planted acre on the farm for each of the 2008-2012 crop years, excluding any year in which upland cotton was not planted, times 2.4.



Enrollment Deadline

2018 enrollment for farms with generic base can be completed after completing steps:

- Allocation
- Yield update
- seed cotton election

The deadline for enrollment of these farms is December 7, 2018.



Enrollment Deadline

Please contact your local office with any questions you may have.





Seed Cotton Fact Sheet

For more information, please visit this website to view the USDA FSA Seed Cotton Fact Sheet.

<https://www.farmers.gov>

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