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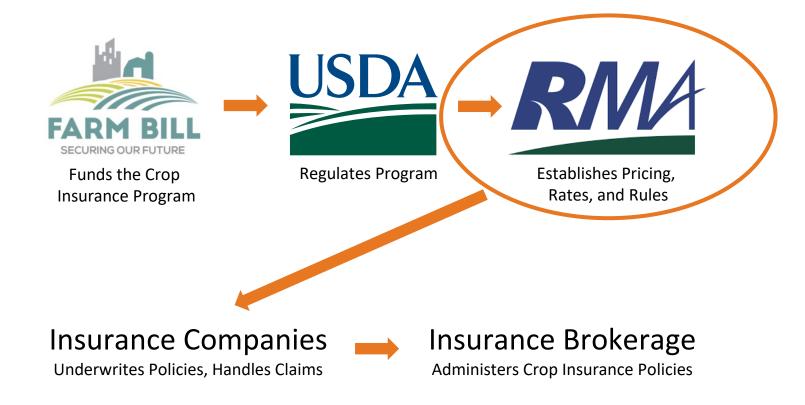


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Development Timeline:

2020 and 2022 wildfires spurred interest in policy change

09/12/23

USDA Risk Management Agency hosts listening session

05/22/24

FIP-SI Approved

07/22/23

Smoke Exposure Crop Insurance Act of 2023 (HR 4308) Bill sponsored by Representative Mike Thompson (CA-04), nine Democratic, and two Republican co-sponsors

11/01/23

USDA Risk Management Agency hosts second listening session

08/12/24

Policy Details Released



Multiperil Crop Insurance (MPCI) Covers:

- ✓ Adverse weather
- ✓ Earthquake
- ✓ Fire (smoke)
- ✓ Volcanic eruption
- ✓ Wildlife



- ✓ Failure of irrigation water supply (due to a covered peril)
- ✓ Insects, plant disease (unless insufficient or improper application of control measures occurs)

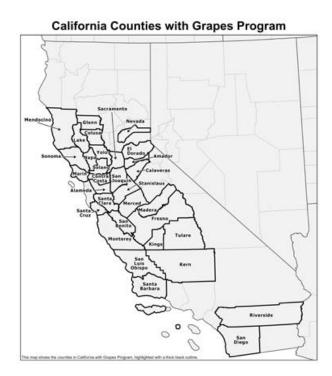
FIP-SI Covers:

✓ Smoke Events



FIP-SI Endorsement – NEW for 2025

- ✓ Endorsement establishes a separate coverage for smoke events.
- ✓ Endorsement is <u>added to the underlying Multiperil</u> <u>Crop Insurance</u> (MPCI) policy; cannot be purchased as a stand-alone coverage.
 - Smoke Losses on MPCI are is still covered and assessed separately.
 - Can be purchased with CAT coverage
- ✓ This is a <u>county loss</u> triggered coverage; individual vineyard losses are not considered.
- ✓ Available in CA counties where the grape MPCI policy is offered; no Written Agreement exceptions for FIP-SI.





FIP-SI Endorsement – Key Benefits vs. MPCI Smoke Coverage

- ✓ No additional reporting other than the underlying policy needs.
- ✓ No lab testing or claims adjustment process.
- ✓ Indemnities are <u>automatically paid</u>; no notice of loss needs to be filed.
- ✓ Source of smoke does not matter; controlled burns are also included.
 - MPCI required loss to be caused by naturally occurring fires.
- ✓ Grapes can be off the vine when the smoke event occurs; if it is during the FIP-SI coverage period it will still count.
- ✓ Indemnities are calculated and paid quickly.



Smoke Events Trigger Claims

- ✓ Insurance period is June 1st November 10th.
- ✓ Only smoke events are covered.
- ✓ Coverage is based off the liability of underlying MPCI coverage including other endorsements.
- ✓ Factor is applied to FIP-SI liability based off number of cumulative smoke events.
 - Must surpass 13 cumulative smoke events before factor begins to apply.
 - Increased factor applied based on increased number of smoke events.
- ✓ Uses two data sources to determine smoke events:
 - NOAA's Hazard Mapping System's (HMS) smoke density dataset.
 - U.S. Census Bureau's geometry of counties TIGER/Line Shapefile.



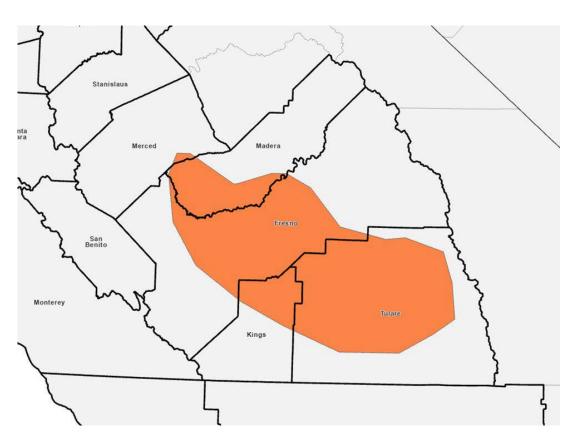
Smoke Events Trigger Claims

✓ Heavy smoke in any area of the county triggers a smoke event for entire county.

Smoke Event For:

- Tulare Co.
- Kings Co.
- Fresno Co.
- Madera Co.
- Merced Co.

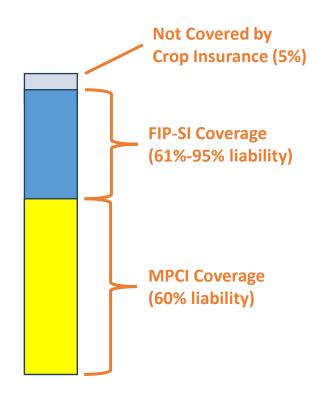
Must exceed 13 days of smoke events





Coverage Amount

- ✓ FIP-SI covers the liability between the MPCI coverage percentage and 95% of the crop liability.
 - The greater your MPCI coverage, the lower your FIP-SI coverage, and the lower your MPCI coverage, the greater your FIP-SI coverage.
- ✓ Adjustments to underlying liability will automatically apply to the FIP-SI liability: adjustments to insured acres, contract prices.



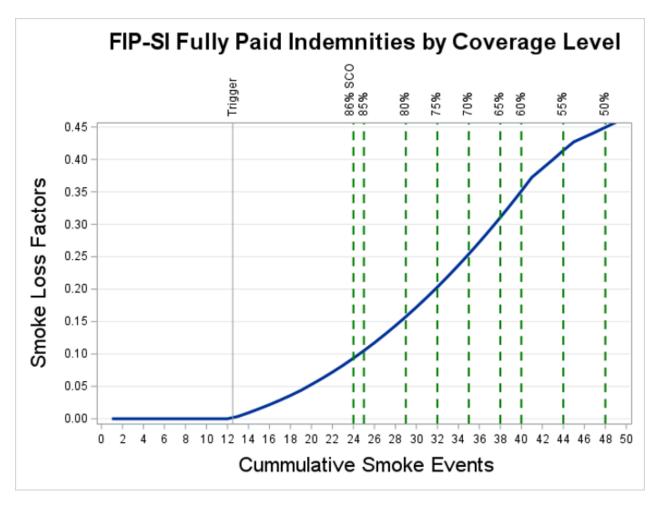


Indemnity Payout –Smoke Loss Factor by Days

Cumulative Number of Smoke Events	Smoke Loss Factor	Cumulative Number of Smoke Events	Smoke Loss Factor	Cumulative Number of Smoke Events	Smoke Loss Factor
Less than 13	0	25	0.1050	38	0.3106
13	0.0036	26	0.1172	39	0.3306
14	0.0092	27	0.1301	40	0.3512
15	0.0153	28	0.1435	41	0.3724
16	0.0217	29	0.1575	42	0.3860
17	0.0286	30	0.1721	43	0.3997
18	0.0359	31	0.1873	44	0.4139
19	0.0438	32	0.2031	45	0.4271
20	0.0528	33	0.2196	46	0.4344
21	0.0621	34	0.2366	47	0.4418
22	0.0719	35	0.2542	48 and above	0.4500
23	0.0823	36	0.2724		
24	0.0934	37	0.2912		



Indemnity Payout –Smoke Loss Factor with Coverage Level





Coverage Amount Calculation – By Variety

60% MPCI Coverage Example

Determine Smoke Coverage Range:

0.95 (Maximum liability covered)

- 0.60 (MPCI Coverage)

0.35 Smoke Coverage Range

Determine Expected Crop Value of MPCI Policy \$600,000 (MPCI Liability)

÷ 0.60 (MPCI Coverage)

÷ 1.0 (MPCI Percent of Price)

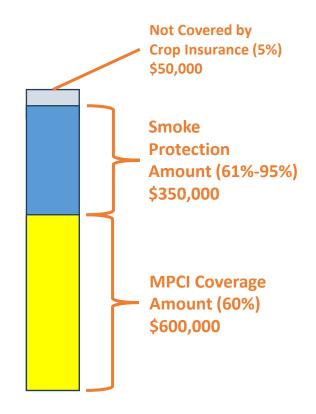
\$1,000,000 Expected Crop Value

Determine the Smoke Protection Amount \$1,000,000 (expected Crop Value)

X 0.35 (Smoke Coverage Range)

X 1.0 (FIP-SI Coverage Level)

\$350,000 Smoke Protection Amount

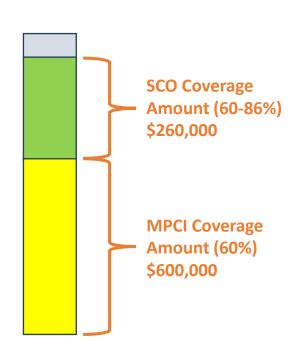


Smoke Loss Factor / Smoke Coverage Range = Payment Factor Payment Factor X Smoke Protection Amount = Indemnity



FIP-SI with Supplemental Coverage Option (SCO)

- ✓ SCO is an additional endorsement stacked on top of your MPCI.
- ✓ Released in 2020 for Grapes.
- ✓ Indemnities paid on *county yield losses*.
 - Individual vineyard performance is not considered.
- ✓ SCO adds additional covered liability to the MPCI policy that cannot be covered by FIP-SI.
- ✓ SCO covers the liability between your MPCI coverage level and 86%





Coverage Amount with Supplemental Coverage Option (SCO)

60% MPCI Coverage Example with SCO Endorsement

Determine Smoke Coverage Range:

0.95 (Maximum liability covered)

- 0.86 (MPCI and SCO Coverage)

0.09 Smoke Coverage Range

Determine Expected Crop Value of MPCI Policy \$600,000 (MPCI Liability)

÷ 0.60 (MPCI Coverage)

÷ 1.0 (MPCI Percent of Price)

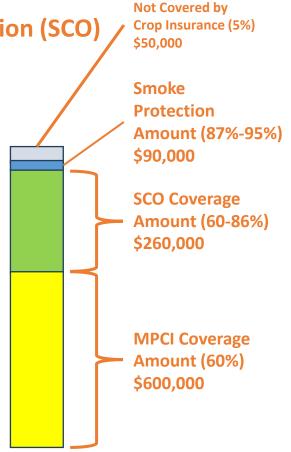
\$1,000,000 Expected Crop Value

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X 0.09 (Smoke Coverage Range)

X 1.0 (FIP-SI Coverage Level)

\$90,000 Smoke Protection Amount



Smoke Loss Factor / Smoke Coverage Range = Payment Factor Payment Factor X Smoke Protection Amount = Indemnity



Indemnity Payout –Smoke Loss Factor by Days

Smoke Loss Factor X **Smoke Coverage Range** = Payment Factor

Payment Factor X **Smoke Protection Amount** = Indemnity

Cumulative	Smoke Loss	Cumulative	Smoke Loss	Cumulative	Smoke Loss
Number of Smoke Events	Factor	Number of Smoke Events	Factor	Number of Smoke Events	Factor
Less than 13	0	25	0.1050	38	0.3106
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Claim Example – 60% MPCI Coverage

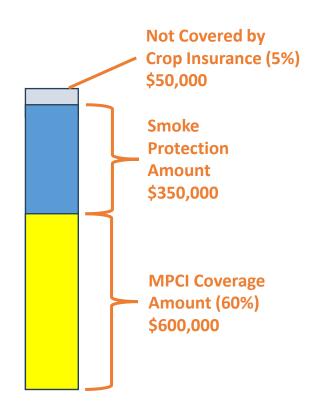
\$1,000,000 Expected Crop Value

MPCI Grape Policy

- Triggered by tonnage losses due to natural perils
- Liability = \$600,000 (60% of \$1,000,000)

FIP-SI Endorsement

- Triggered by cumulative heavy smoke days
- Liability aka Smoke Protection Amount = \$350,000 (35% of \$1,000,000)
 - Top 5% of liability cannot be covered by crop insurance



Smoke Loss Factor / Smoke Coverage Range = Payment Factor Payment Factor X Smoke Protection Amount = Indemnity

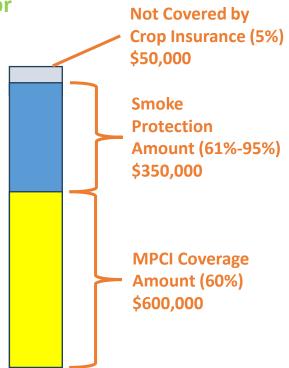


Claim Example – 60% MPCI Coverage

25 Cumulative Smoke Events = 0.1050 Smoke Loss Factor

FIP-SI Claim Calculation

- Determine Payment Factor
 - .1050 / 35% = 0.3 payment factor
- Determine Indemnity
 - 0.3 X \$350,000 Smoke Protection Amount
 - = \$105,000 FIP-SI Indemnity



Smoke Loss Factor / Smoke Coverage Range = Payment Factor Payment Factor X Smoke Protection Amount = Indemnity



FIP-SI Premium

Based on:

- Underlying MPCI coverage level (CAT – 85%)
- MPCI liability by variety (\$)
- County
- Premium is subsidized by 65%

BASE RATES BY COUNTY

Alameda		Kern		Napa		Santa Barbara	
0.0686	0.1786	0.1629	0.2105	0.1211	0.2366	0.0429	0.1404
Amador		Kings		Nevada		Santa Clara	
0.167	0.2518	0.104	0.1706	0.1688	0.2272	0.0683	0.1601
Calaveras		Lake		Riverside		Santa Cruiz	
0.156	0.2632	0.192	0.2573	0.0095	0.0476	0.0274	0.1008
Colusa		Madera		Sacramento		Solano	
0.2112	0.25	0.1809	0.3306	0.1243	0.21	0.1079	0.2366
Contra Costa		Marin		San Benito		Sonoma	
0.0769	0.203	0.0515	0.1407	0.1074	0.2272	0.0898	0.2366
El Dorado		Mendocino		San Diego		Stanislaus	
0.182	0.2688	0.1876	0.2995	0.0039	0.0197	0.118	0.2183
Fresno		Merced		San Joaquin		Tulare	
0.2388	0.4254	0.1158	0.2183	0.0973	0.1949	0.2509	0.5646
Glenn		Monterey		San Luis Obispo		Yolo	
0.2259	0.2632	0.1647	0.2272	0.0683	0.177	0.1628	0.2435

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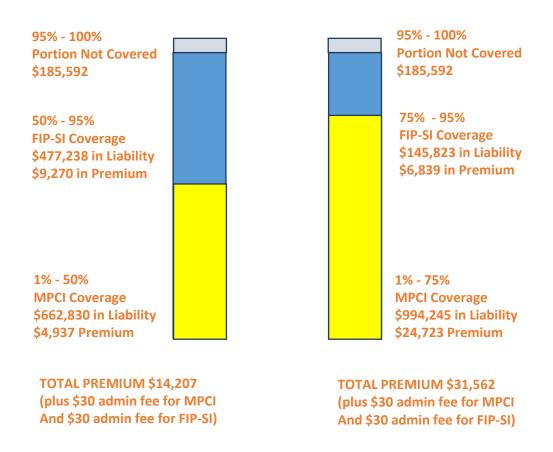
County

50% 86% SCO



MPCI and **FIP-SI** Coverage Correlations

50 Acres X 3.4 tons per acre X \$7,798 price per ton = \$1,325,660 FULL Liability





FIP-SI Historical Data Since 2010

- Santa Barbara
 - 80 Smoke Events
 - o 2016, 2020, and 2021 would have triggered indemnities
- Sonoma
 - 116 Smoke Events
 - o 2018, 2020, and 2021 would have triggered indemnities
- Mendocino
 - 192 Smoke Events
 - o 2012, 2015, 2018, 2020, and 2021 would have triggered indemnities
- Napa
 - 126 Smoke Events
 - o 2018, 2020, and 2021 would have triggered indemnities (2020 was at 42 days)
- San Joaquin
 - 103 Smoke Events
 - o 2018, 2020, and 2021 would have triggered indemnities
- Tulare / Fresno
 - o 288 / 270 Smoke Events
 - o Tulare Co. had 8 years that would have triggered indemnities 2 years at the maximum (48 days)
 - o Fresno Co. had 7 years that would have triggered indemnities 1 year at the maximum (48 days)



MPCI Grape Policy STILL Pays for Individual Smoke

- Grower still must submit claim within 72 hours of damage.
- Grower must have pre-harvested samples tested by variety and location.
- Results must show elevated levels of 4MG and/or G.
- Grower may sell at reduced price or be rejected by winery.
- Letter from winery/market required stating the cause of price reduction/rejection.
- Quality Adjustment Factor applied for grapes harvested and sold at a reduced price.
- Unharvested Cost Deduction applied to tonnage not harvested.



Grape Federal Crop Insurance

Important Grape Deadlines

January 31st Deadline to apply for, adjust coverage, and add the FIP-SI endorsement

March 15th Deadline to provide prior years production

May 15th Deadline to update insured acres and provide contracts

(optional)

June 1st FIP-SI coverage period begins, smoke events begin begin tracked

September 30th Policy premium is due

Insurance ends for the MPCI crop policy on the earlier of:

- November 10th
- Harvest, destruction, or abandonment of the crop

Insurance ends for the FIP-SI endorsement on:

November 10th regardless of harvest, destruction, or abandonment of the crop





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