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SARM is pleased with the 2014 Crop Insurance Program

SARM welcomes the 2014 Crop Insurance Program which was announced yesterday by Federal Agriculture Minister Gerry Ritz and Saskatchewan Agriculture Minister Lyle Stewart.

The program includes a number of new features to help producers mitigate their risk. Improvements to the Crop Insurance Program for 2014 include a pilot program to provide yield-loss coverage for corn in the east central and southeast areas of the province. The program will also increase the base grade for flax, add field peas to the contract price option and expand the number of crops eligible for vegetable insurance. Crop Insurance enhancements made in previous years, such as expanded coverage for soybeans, Unseeded Acreage Benefit and yield cushioning, will also continue in 2014.

“Part of the program enhancements will include a new online system called CropConnect which will allow producers to complete more of their crop insurance business from home” said President David Marit. “The announced changes today are a great step towards further diversification and enhancement of the provincial agriculture industry and are welcome news for SARM.”

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