## BACKGROUNDER

- Claims submitted between November 16 and December 31 will have indemnities reduced by 25 per cent. Claims will not be accepted after December 31.
- If customers want to put their crop to any use other than combining, they must contact Crop Insurance for an appraisal. The appraised value will be used to calculate any claim.
- Producers must submit their production declaration information, even if they are not in a claim position.
- Production declarations are used to update the producer's individual average yield, which is the basis for coverage in future years. Individual average yield is recalculated every time a crop is grown using 90 per cent of the previous individual average yield and 10 per cent of the most recent annual yield. If the production declaration is not completed, the annual yield may be set at zero, reducing future coverage.
- Crop Insurance will pay a number of claims based on production information rather than by an adjuster's inspection. Staff will inform eligible producers at the time they register their post-harvest claim.
- 2006 Production Declaration forms were mailed to Crop Insurance customers in August. If misplaced, replacement forms are available from any customer service office or online at www.saskcropinsurance.com under Forms.

## **Extensions of Insurance**

- Coverage for the 2006 crop year ends November 15. If a producer has unharvested acres as of November 15, they must contact Crop Insurance and request an extension of insurance by November 15.
- Coverage may be extended in areas where harvesting is generally not completed.
- The final adjustment will occur after harvest is complete but no later than June 10, 2007.

## Wildlife Damage

- All Saskatchewan producers are eligible for compensation under the Wildlife Damage Compensation Program; producers do not need to be Crop Insurance customers. There are no costs to the producer or premiums involved.
- Compensation is available up to 80 per cent of the loss. Crop claims must be a minimum of \$100.
- Producers who find damage due to wildlife are asked to contact Crop Insurance immediately at 1-888-935-0000. Messages are monitored over the weekends.
- Complete information is available at www.saskcropinsurance.com under Our Programs/Claims.