

Irrigation Information for the 2012 Crop Year
Topeka Regional Office
June 4, 2012

The following information supplements the irrigation information published in May 2012.

RMA has not confirmed any water reduction was due to an insurable cause of loss within the insurance period or made any determinations, but is providing information it has gathered for Approved Insurance Provider's reference:

Southwest Kansas:

The following information is provided by the Division of Water Resources, Kansas Department of Agriculture in Garden City, Kansas

2012 Projected Surface Water Supply for Surface Water Supplied Irrigation Ditches in Hamilton, Kearny, and Finney Counties

Six irrigation ditches in Southwest Kansas have access to available Arkansas River flows and to water stored in John Martin Reservoir which is located approximately 70-miles west of the Colorado-Kansas state line. Surface water from the Arkansas River is generally used to supplement groundwater irrigation. However, there are fields that have access to only surface water.

The account water available to Kansas on April 1, 2012 was 12,328 acre-feet which is the 2nd lowest amount in the past 11 years.

Year	April 1 availability	Rank
2012	12,328 AF	10
2011	18,948 AF	5
2010	27,012 AF	2
2009	28,174 AF	1
2008	15,948 AF	7
2007	22,186 AF	4
2006	13,211 AF	9
2005	26,937 AF	3
2004	11,308 AF	11
2003	14,303 AF	8
2002	17,582 AF	6

Other Surface Water Areas in Kansas:

Minimum Desirable Streamflow Administration (MDS) is in effect in multiple areas in Kansas. MDS administration places pumping restrictions on permits or water rights granted after the MDS provision was made into law in 1984. MDS administration areas and effective dates can be found at:

<http://www.ksda.gov/appropriation/content/301>