



**Featured Program** - Learn more about the Oats Crop Insurance Program available in Interior Alaska.



**Featured Producer** - Learn about Steve Brown, the Mat-Su/Copper River District Ag Extension Agent for the University of Alaska Fairbanks who specializes in high latitude agriculture.



### **Trivia Time - Name that Crop**

- One cup of this crop, washed and served raw, will give you your entire daily serving of Vitamin C.
- It was first grown in the Italian province of Calabria and was given the name “Calabrese.”
- Thomas Jefferson first imported the seeds to the U.S. from Italy to plant at Monticello.

*\*Trivia answer can be found on page 2, Source: <https://cropinsuranceamerica.org>*

## **Farm Service Agency Offices**

### **Southern Country Farm Service Agency**

800 W Evergreen Ave, Ste 100  
Palmer, Alaska 99645  
Phone: (907) 761-7754

### **Northern Country Farm Service Agency**

Jarvis Bldg. 1420 1/2 Alaska Hwy  
Delta Junction, AK  
Phone: (907) 895-4241

# Featured Program

## Oats Crop Insurance Program

The Oats Crop Insurance Program is a yield protection program available in the Southeast Fairbanks borough. Producers who elect to participate in this program benefit from protection from multiple causes of loss to their yield including adverse weather and fire. Up to 85% of the approved average yield can be elected for protection with this program.



*Insanity Acres farm in Delta Junction, Alaska grows oats, barley, and hay.*

Interested in learning more about Oats Crop Insurance? Visit: <https://www.rma.usda.gov/> or contact an agent!

## Upcoming Sales Closing Dates

The Forage Production Crop Insurance Program's sales closing date is September 30, 2018.

**Crop Insurance Agents Serving Alaska**  
**Stanley and Tonya Decker**  
Mid Columbia Insurance, Inc.  
903 W 6th St.  
The Dalles, Oregon 97058  
Phone: (541) 296-1287

# Featured Producer

## Meet Steve Brown

Steve Brown is the Mat-Su/Copper River District Ag Extension Agent for the University of Alaska Fairbanks and specializes in high latitude agriculture. His background is in the use of the geospatial technologies such as the Global Positioning System (GPS) and Geographic Information Systems (GIS) to improve agricultural production. Steve's current primary area of interest is in promoting and expanding the production of rhodiola in Alaska. Rhodiola is a plant native to Siberia that is grown for its root. The plant has many uses, but is mainly utilized as a non-toxic substitute for caffeine and as a cosmetic supplement. Steve also works extensively with subsistence farmers who live off the road system and electrical grid.

In his spare time he is an avid mountaineer. This summer he will be leading an expedition in the Himalayas to climb the 20,100 ft. Stok Kangri.



*Steve Brown, who specializes in high latitude agriculture, is focused on promoting and expanding the production of rhodiola in Alaska.*

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## Front Page Trivia

**Answer:**  
**Broccoli**



# Alaska Events

## Project Calendar

June was filled with some great visits to farms and farmers' markets in the Fairbanks, Delta and Two Rivers area. In addition, we completed several interviews for our new farmer testimonial videos coming out in a few months. Thank you to all who took time out of their busy schedule to make this trip fantastic! Our next trip has been set for August 16-27th. Team members Amanda and Madilyn will be visiting the Alaska State Fair and are working with the Alaska Food Hub to put on a workshop in Homer. We hope to see you there!



Interested in scheduling a meeting with us in person? Contact one of our partners or give us a call at (844) 221-5982. We'd love to schedule a time to visit with you and be sure to keep an eye out for us at future events!

## Fun Ag Fact

THE OLD  
**FARMER'S ALMANAC**

FOUNDED IN 1792

THE FACTS BEHIND WEATHER  
FOLKLORE

## Our Partners



Alaska Small Business  
Development Center

UNIVERSITY of ALASKA ANCHORAGE



# Crop Insurance Info

## Crop Insurance Definition:

### Federal Crop Insurance Corporation

Founded in 1938, the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation (FCIC) was created in order to help carry out the Federal crop insurance program designed to help farmers after the Dust Bowl. The FCIC is managed under the USDA Risk Management Agency and is responsible for funding the research and establishment of U.S. crop insurance programs.

## About the Project

Under the USDA RMA Partnership Agreement, AgriLogic Consulting, LLC (AgriLogic) has partnered with the Alaska Division of Agriculture, Alaska Farm Bureau, Alaska Food Policy Council, Alaska Small Business Development Center, and the Fairbanks Economic Development Corporation to deliver crop insurance education and related risk management strategies to Alaska farmers between Sept. 30, 2017 and Sept. 29, 2018. AgriLogic will provide training through workshops, on-farm appointments, guest speaker spots at conferences and association meetings, trade show booths, and visits to farmer's markets. Workshops focus on illustrating the value of crop insurance programs available in Alaska. Eligibility requirements, sales closing dates, and agent contact information will be highlighted. FREE individual producer quotes are available upon request! Learn more about our project, upcoming events and crop insurance in Alaska by [clicking here](#). This institution is an equal opportunity provider.