

To: All Florida Policy Issuing Agents of WFG National Title Insurance Company From: WFG Underwriting Department Date: February 10, 2023 Subject: Fraud Prevention Letter Template

Fraud is rampant in Florida especially in transactions involving vacant land. As part of WFG's fraud prevention efforts, WFG is requiring our agents to send a Fraud Prevention Letter to the seller on transactions involving vacant land in which the owner is a foreign seller.

Going forward, for transactions involving vacant land in which the owner is a foreign seller, agents must send a <u>Fraud Prevention Letter</u> on the agent's letterhead to the owner at the mailing address for the property listed on the Property Appraiser's website so that the owner can be alerted of the pending transaction on their property. This small step has thwarted numerous attempts by imposters to fraudulently sell property without the owner's knowledge.

This requirement will be added to the Title Search Report sent to you. The requirement will have a link to a template for the Fraud Prevention Letter which must be issued on the agent's letterhead.

We want to thank our agents for joining our fraud prevention efforts!

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The Agent may be held responsible for any loss sustained as a result of the failure to follow the standards set forth above.