



June 20, 2012

NOMINATION MEETINGS SCHEDULED FOR THE CITRUS RESEARCH BOARD

TO THE CITRUS PRODUCER ADDRESSED:

The term of office of some members and alternate members of the Citrus Research Board (Board) will expire on July 31, 2012. Therefore, the California Department of Food and Agriculture (Department) is calling district nomination meetings for the purpose of receiving nominations of producers qualified to fill open positions for the period beginning August 1, 2012 and ending July 31, 2015.

A complete schedule of the nomination meetings and a current listing of the Citrus Research Board members and alternates, indicating the positions for which nominations will be received, are printed on the reverse side of this notice. Following are some general rules regarding the nomination proceedings.

- Any owner, officer, or employee of an entity in California in the business of producing, or causing to be produced for market, 750 or more standard field boxes, or the equivalent, of any variety of citrus is qualified to participate in these proceedings.
- If you wish to nominate a person to serve on the Board at the nomination meetings, you should determine the candidate's eligibility and willingness to serve prior to the nomination meeting.
- An individual person is entitled to represent only one legal entity at a nomination meeting.
- In the case of a partnership, only one of the partners may vote.
- In the case of a corporation, a person affiliated with the corporation, preferably an officer, may represent the corporation.
- A married couple operating a production entity is entitled to just one vote, unless each spouse owns and operates separate and distinct entities.
- In order to participate in a district's nomination meeting, a business entity must have citrus production within that district. Any producer entity that produces in more than one district **must choose the single district in which to participate to vote**. If a separate production entity can be proven as the operating entity in **another** district, the person qualified to act as the representative of that entity may vote in that district, even if he/she has voted as a representative of **another entity in another district**. Essentially, each separate citrus producing business entity is entitled to one vote in the district in which it operates.
- Voting by proxy is not permitted.

Please review the schedule and note the meeting in your district and the positions for which nominations will be received. We strongly encourage you to participate in this important process for selecting your representatives. If you have any questions regarding the nomination meetings, please call Ted Batkin, President of the Citrus Research Board at (559) 738-0246 or call Joe Monson at this office.

Sincerely,

Robert Maxie, Chief
Marketing Branch

See schedule of nomination meetings on the reverse side of this notice.

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SCHEDULE OF 2012 NOMINATION MEETINGS FOR THE CITRUS RESEARCH BOARD

DISTRICT 1 – NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

(Comprised of that part of California west of a line drawn due north and south through White Water and north of a line drawn due east and west through Gorman, but excluding San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara Counties.)

2:00 PM – MONDAY, July 16, 2012

Tulare County Agricultural Building, Suite A – Conference Room
4437 South Laspina St.
Tulare, California 93274
Telephone: (559) 684-3300

Nominations will be received for **three** District 1 members and **three** District 1 alternate members. Please note, due to minor amendments passed last year, one additional member and one additional alternate member position will be allocated to District 1 beginning on August 1, 2012. Nominations for these new positions will be received at this meeting.

DISTRICT 2 – SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA - COASTAL

(Comprised of that part of California west of a line drawn due north and south through White Water and south of a line drawn due east and west through Gorman, but including San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara Counties.)

9:00 AM – TUESDAY, July 17, 2012

Ayres Hotel and Suites – Huntington Room
1945 East Holt Blvd. (*Near the Ontario Airport*)
Ontario, California 91761
Telephone: (909) 390-7778

Nominations will be received for **one** District 2 member and **one** District 2 alternate member. Please note, due to minor amendments passed last year, one expiring member position and one expiring alternate member position will be removed from District 2 beginning on August 1, 2012.

DISTRICT 3 – CALIFORNIA DESERT

(Comprised of that part of California east of a line drawn north and south through White Water.)

A nomination meeting will not be conducted in District 3 this year because there are no expiring positions.

Citrus Research Board Members 2011-2012

District 1 – Northern California

<u>Member</u>	<u>Alternate Member</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
* Etienne Rabe	* Richard Bennett	7-31-2012
* John Richardson	* Jeff Steen	7-31-2012
Allan Lombardi	Justin Brown	7-31-2013
Donald Roark	Dan Dreyer	7-31-2013
Jim Gorden	Dan Galbraith	7-31-2014
Joe Stewart	Franco Bernardi	7-31-2014
Kevin Olsen	Tommy Elliott	7-31-2014

District 2 – Southern California – Coastal

<u>Member</u>	<u>Alternate Member</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
* William Pidduck	* James Finch	7-31-2012
* Joe Barcinas	* Warren Lyall	7-31-2012
Earl Rutz	Alan Washburn	7-31-2014

District 3 – California Desert

<u>Member</u>	<u>Alternate Member</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Mark McBroom	Craig Armstrong	7-31-2013

Public Member

<u>Member</u>	<u>Alternate Member</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Seymour Van Gundy	Steven Garnsey	7-31-2012

* Positions requiring nominations at the 2012 Nomination Meetings