



CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF
FOOD & AGRICULTURE

Karen Ross, Secretary

February 14, 2013

**Notice of Nomination Meetings
For the California Table Grape Commission**

To The California Table Grape Producer Addressed:

Notice is hereby given of nomination meetings to be held in the six major grape producing districts within the state of California. The purpose of these meetings is to provide table grape producers with the opportunity to make nominations for 6 members of the Table Grape Commission whose terms of office expire March 31, 2013.

Subsequent to the nomination meetings in each of the districts, a mail ballot election will be held in order to determine the persons from each district who will be recommended to the Department of Food and Agriculture for appointment to the Commission. Please note that the California Table Grape Commission Law encourages forwarding to the Department the names of two nominees per district.

To qualify as a member of the Commission, a person must be a citizen and resident of California over 25 years of age. In addition, the individual must be a producer, partner, or an employee of a producer who is at the time of the election, and has been for at least five years previously, actively engaged in growing table grapes within California. Further, not more than two Commission members can be employed by, or connected with in a proprietary capacity, the same corporation, business firm, partnership, association or business organization. Finally, in any of the six districts, no more than one member may be so employed or associated.

The term of office of the six Commission members to be selected this year shall be three years from April 1, 2013 through March 31, 2016.

A schedule of the nomination meetings is provided on the reverse side of this notice. It indicates the location, date, and time of the nomination meeting in each district.

You are invited to attend and participate in the nomination meetings. Fresh grape producers will be able to make nominations in all districts in which they produce grapes. Therefore, a producer may attend all of the meetings for districts in which he or she has vineyards.

If you have questions about the nomination meetings or about the upcoming voting process, please call Kathleen Nave, President of the California Table Grape Commission, at (559) 447-8350, or call Dennis Manderfield here at the Marketing Branch at (916) 900-5018.

Sincerely,

Robert Maxie, Chief
Marketing Branch

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**CALIFORNIA TABLE GRAPE COMMISSION
2013 Schedule of Nomination Meetings**

District	Date	Time	Location
1 (Southern California, Coachella Valley- Borrego)	Monday, March 4	2:00 PM	Coachella Valley Water District Forbes Auditorium 85-995 Avenue 52 Coachella, CA 92236 760-398-2651
2 (Shafter, Bakersfield, Arvin)	Tuesday, March 5	10:00 AM	Kern County Farm and Home Advisor's Office Conference Room 1031 S. Mount Vernon Avenue Bakersfield, CA 93307 661-868-6200
3 (Earlimart, Terra Bella, Delano, McFarland)	Tuesday, March 5	1:30 PM	Delano-Earlimart Irrigation District Boardroom 14181 Avenue 24 Delano, CA 93215 661-725-2526
4 (Visalia, Exeter, Porterville)	Tuesday, March 5	3:30 PM	Exeter Veterans Memorial Building Meeting Facilities 324 N. Kaweah Avenue Exeter, CA 93221 559-592-2263
5 (Reedley, Dinuba, Orange Cove)	Thursday, March 7	9:00 AM	Dinuba Veterans Memorial Building Legion Room 249 S. Alta Avenue Dinuba, CA 93618 559-591-2223
6 (Madera, Fresno, Sanger)	Thursday, March 7	11:00 AM	California Table Grape Commission Conference Room 392 W. Fallbrook Avenue, Suite 101 Fresno, CA 93711 559-447-8350