



CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF  
FOOD & AGRICULTURE

Karen Ross, Secretary

May 20, 2013

**NOTICE OF CONTINUATION OF THE  
CALIFORNIA GARLIC AND ONION DEHYDRATOR INSPECTION PROGRAM**

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES:

The California Department of Food and Agriculture (Department) held a public hearing on April 18, 2013, in Coalinga, California to consider the continuation of the California Garlic and Onion Dehydrator Inspection Program (Program). Such a hearing is required under the California Marketing Act (Act) to be conducted every five years to provide an opportunity for garlic and onion growers and dehydrators and other interested parties to comment on the usefulness and effectiveness of the Program.

Based on the testimony and evidence received at the hearing, the Department has found that a substantial question does not exist among garlic and onion producers and dehydrators as to whether the Program effectuates the declared purposes of the Act. Therefore, the Department has approved the continuation of the Program for five more years, through March 31, 2019.

The California Garlic and Onion Dehydrator Inspection Program is a State marketing order that was implemented in 1999 for the purpose of providing inspections of garlic and onions produced in California for dehydration purposes. Such inspections are intended to provide a uniform basis for payment to producers by dehydrators. The Program's activities are funded by mandatory assessments (inspection fees) levied equally on garlic and onion producers and dehydrators.

If you have any questions regarding this notice or the Program's activities, please contact Tom Ramme, Manager of the California Garlic and Onion Dehydrator Advisory Board, at (530) 759-7501, or Joe Monson with the Department's Marketing Branch at (916) 900-5018.

Sincerely,

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