

2014 Assessment Rates Established for the CMAB and the CMMAB

The Department recently approved the 2014 assessment rates applicable to the California Milk Advisory Board (CMAB) and the California Manufacturing Milk Advisory Board (CMMAB). These two producer-funded programs conduct dairy promotion and research activities on behalf of California's dairy farmers.

The 2014 CMAB assessment rate for market milk and the 2014 CMMAB assessment rate for manufacturing milk have both been set at ten cents (\$0.10) per hundredweight. These rates are unchanged from the 2013 rates.

As in the past, these assessments will be collected from the first handlers who purchase or otherwise acquire possession of milk from producers. Each handler shall in turn deduct such assessments from payment owed to their producers.

These assessments are authorized separate and apart from the fifteen-cent (\$0.15) assessment of the National Dairy Promotion and Research Board (NDPRB), but qualify California milk producers for a credit toward the NDPRB assessment.

Please call the CDFA Marketing Branch at (916) 900-5018 if you have any questions about these assessments.