



CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF  
FOOD & AGRICULTURE

Karen Ross, Secretary

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## 2020 PSAB Administrative Assessment and Inspection Fee

- **Administrative Assessment: \$0.00125 per pound**
- **Inspection Fee: \$26.50 per hour**

To All California Strawberry Processors:

The California Department of Food and Agriculture, upon the recommendation of the Processing Strawberry Advisory Board (PSAB), has established the administrative assessment rate and the hourly inspection fee for the 2020 marketing season as follows:

- The 2020 administrative assessment rate has been set at **\$0.00125 per pound** of strawberries (or equivalent) received by processors. This assessment is intended to cover the PSAB's administrative costs. This year's administrative assessment rate is higher than last year's rate, which was \$0.00111 per pound. The administrative assessment applies to all fresh strawberries and previously processed strawberries received by a processor and utilized for processing into strawberry products; provided however that no processor shall be required to pay an assessment upon strawberries for which this assessment has been previously paid.
- The 2020 hourly inspection fee has been set at **\$26.50 per hour**. This fee is intended to fund the PSAB's mandatory incoming strawberry inspections. This year's inspection fee is higher than last year's fee, which was \$26.00 per hour.

Payments for the administrative assessments and inspection fees should be remitted directly to the PSAB office. Reporting forms and instructions will be provided to processors by the PSAB. For further information regarding the PSAB administrative assessment rate and hourly inspection fee, please call Gabe Moreno, PSAB Manager, at 831-724-5454 or Dennis Manderfield of this office at 916-900-5018.

Sincerely,

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