



July 14, 2009

**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) expire August 31, 2009. 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 September 1, 2009 and ending August 31, 2012.

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 business entity in California in the business of producing, or causing to be produced for market 500 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  
Marketing Branch

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



## SCHEDULE OF 2009 NOMINATION MEETINGS FOR THE CITRUS RESEARCH BOARD

### DISTRICT 1 – NORTHERN AND CENTRAL 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 – WEDNESDAY, August 5, 2009**

Tulare County Agricultural Building  
Suite A – Conference Room  
4437 South Lasplina  
Tulare, California      Telephone: (559) 685-3323

Nominations will be received for **two** District 1 Members and **two** District 1 Alternate Members.

### DISTRICT 2 – SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

(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 – THURSDAY, August 6, 2009**

Country Suites by Ayres – Board Room  
1945 East Holt Blvd. (Near the Ontario Airport)  
Ontario, California      Telephone: (800) 248-4661

Nominations will be received for **two** District 2 Members and **two** District 2 Alternate Members.

### DISTRICT 3 – DESERT AREA

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

*No nomination meeting will be conducted in District 3 because no nominations are required this year.*

### Citrus Research Board Members 2008-2009

#### **District 1 – Northern California**

<u>Member</u>	<u>Alternate</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Allan Lombardi	Kevin Severns	2010
Donald Roark	Jim Gorden	2010
Martin Britz	Dan Galbraith	2011
Joe Stewart	Franco Bernardi	2011
* <b>Etienne Rabe</b>	* <b>Richard Bennett</b>	<b>2009</b>
* <b>John Richardson</b>	* <b>(vacant)</b>	<b>2009</b>
Kevin Olsen	David Dir	2011

#### **District 2 – Southern California – Coastal**

<u>Member</u>	<u>Alternate</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Earl Rutz	Alan Washburn	2011
* <b>(vacant)</b>	* <b>Steve Smith</b>	<b>2009</b>
* <b>Joe Barcinas</b>	* <b>Ken Kelley</b>	<b>2009</b>

#### **District 3 – California Desert**

<u>Member</u>	<u>Alternate</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
William Stein	John Turco	2010

#### **Public Member**

<u>Member</u>	<u>Alternate</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Jerry Dimitman	Seymour Van Gundy	2009

\* Positions requiring nominations at the 2009 Nomination Meetings