CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ANNOUNCES VACANCIES ONTHE SEED ADVISORY BOARD

SACRAMENTO, August 16, 2021 - The California Department of Food and Agriculture's (CDFA) Pest Exclusion Branch is announcing a vacancy on the Seed Advisory Board.

The board is composed of seven members who are seed labelers, and two members who may be seed dealers. These nine members must be registered to sell seed under provisions of the California Seed Law and represent the functions of seed production, conditioning, marketing, or utilization. The board also has two public members.

The three upcoming vacant positions are for one seed seller and two seed labelers. The successful candidates will be appointed to serve a three-year term beginning on April 1st, 2022 through March 31st, 2025.

The term of office for board members is three years. Members typically meet twice a year but can meet more frequently if needed. Board members receive no compensation but are entitled to payment of necessary traveling expenses in accordance with the rules of the Department of Personnel Administration.

Enforcement of the California Seed Law ensures an orderly market of high-quality seeds in California. The Seed Advisory Board makes recommendations to the CDFA secretary on all matters pertaining to seed law and regulations, enforcement, seed laboratory diagnostics and annual budgets required to accomplish the purposes of the California Seed Law.

Individuals interested in being considered for this board appointment should send a brief letter of interest and a completed Prospective Member Appointment Questionnaire with resume to the California Department of Food and Agriculture, Pest Exclusion Branch, 1220 N Street, Sacramento, California 95814, Attention: Brenda Lanini, by Friday, September 3, 2021.

For additional information, and a Prospective Member Appointment Questionnaire, visit the Seed Services Program web page under "Seed Advisory Board" at: <u>https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/plant/pe/nsc/seed/index.html</u>

You may also contact Brenda Lanini, Senior Environmental Scientist, Nursery, Seed, and Cotton Program (916) 403-6715 or e-mail <u>seedservices@cdfa.ca.gov</u>.

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PROSPECTIVE MEMBER APPOINTMENT QUESTIONNAIRE

APPLICANT PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name:		Date:	
Mailing Address:			
Telephone Number:	Email:		

PROFESSIONAL INFORMATION

Name of Company:

How long have you participated in this industry?______ List names and dates of industry, trade, associations, and/or programs you are/and or have been associated with:

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Check one. Indicate which member position you are seeking to fill and answer the associated questions.

□CONSUMER/PUBLIC MEMBER

List the kinds of seed you label/sell: _____

No.of seed lots annually labeled/sell: _____Location (City& County)_____

Do you have a financial interest in the direct sales or marketing of agricultural or vegetable seeds? \Box YES \Box NO

If yes, please explain:

Are you a member and/or employee of a nonprofit organization whose principal purpose is the protection of consumer health or the protection of the environment?

□YES □NO

Briefly list your credentials related to plant science, seed technology, or agriculture:

SIGNATURE

DATE

Mail questionnaire to:

California Department of Food and Agriculture Seed Services Program

Attn: Brenda Lanini

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