

PRUNE MARKETING COMMITTEE AND CALIFORNIA PRUNE BOARD

OFFICIAL BALLOT

FOR VOTING ON NOMINEES FOR INDEPENDENT PRODUCER MEMBERS AND ALTERNATES
TO SERVE ON THE PRUNE MARKETING COMMITTEE
AND ON THE CALIFORNIA PRUNE BOARD FOR THE TWO-YEAR TERM
BEGINNING JUNE 1,

WHO MAY VOTE

General: For purposes of this vote, a producer is any individual person who, or business unit which, was engaged in a proprietary capacity on March 1, in the State of California in growing prune plums, commonly known as fresh prunes, for drying or dehydrating into dried prunes which were not committed to be marketed through a cooperative marketing association. Only one vote may be cast by a producer regardless of the number of orchards operated by him.

Landlord-Tenant (Share Rental): A landlord and tenant, operating on a share-crop basis, are each entitled to one vote.

Landlord-Tenant (Cash Rental): Only the tenant (cash renter) has a vote.

Partnership (including family partnership): A partnership has only one vote regardless of the number and location of orchards operated by the partnership. This also applies to a Husband and Wife who are operating community property, or who have joint interest in the production.

Producer Corporation: A producer corporation has only one vote, regardless of the number and location of its orchards.

Green Prunes Buyers: Only the orchard owner or operator has a vote.

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Consult attached maps, pages 1 and 2, to find the district(s) in which your prune orchard(s) is (are) located. (Location of orchard, not your mailing address, determines the district in which you vote.)

2. Vote only for candidates in a district in which your prune orchard was located on March 1. (If you are engaged in prune production in more than one district, the district you choose for voting on Committee membership may be different from the district you choose to vote on Board membership.) Specify on the ballot the district in which you wish to vote by marking an "X" in the box provided at the right of the district number.

3. Do not vote for candidates in more than one district. Regardless of the number of districts in which he may be a producer, an independent prune producer may participate with respect to only one and the same district in nominating, being nominated, or voting. Therefore a producer may not elect to cast a mail ballot on behalf of a nominee in a district different from a district in which such producer participated in the nomination or was nominated.

4. Do not vote for more than one candidate for member and one candidate for alternate member.

5. Do not vote for the same person for both member and alternate positions.

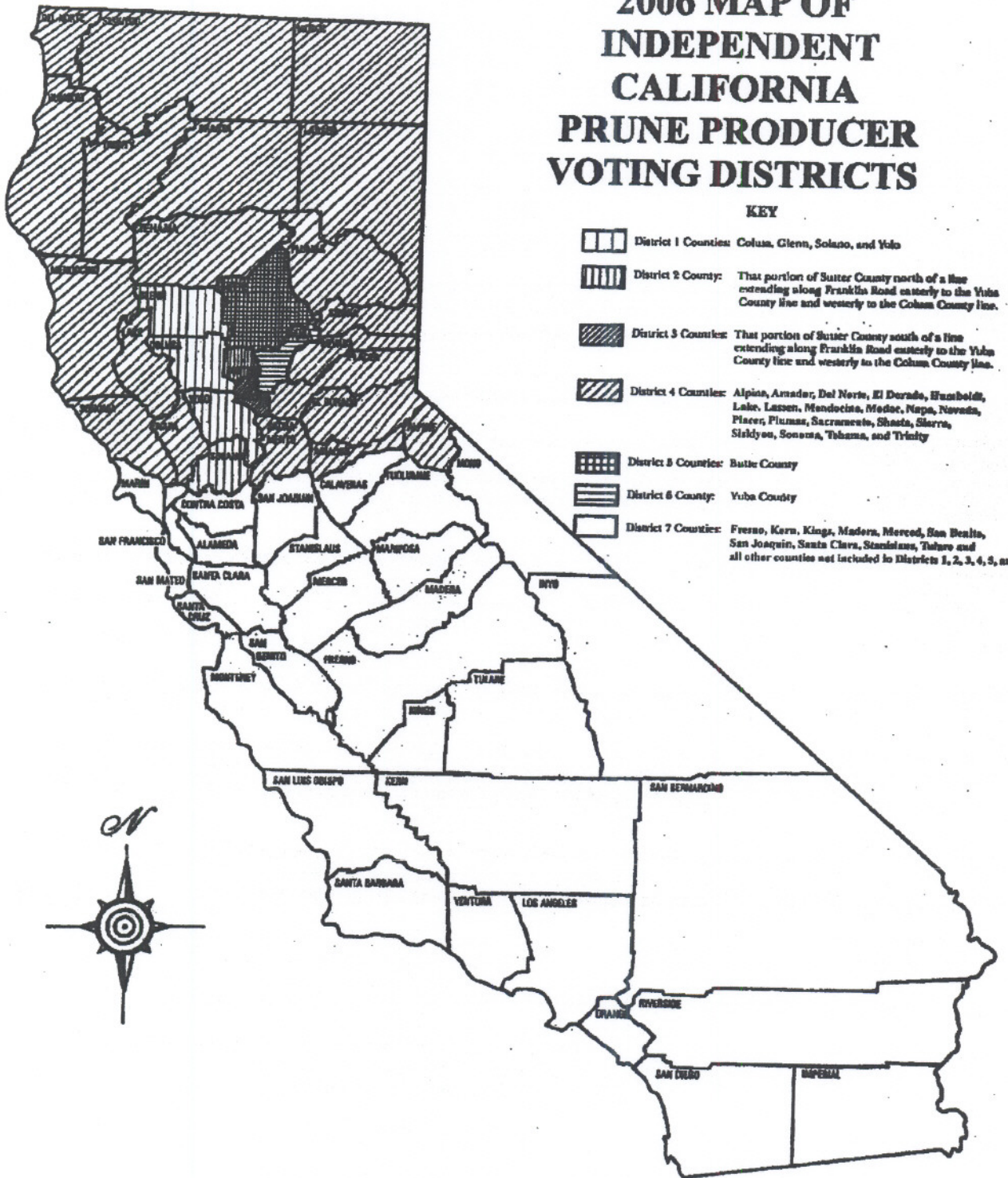
6. Place a mark (X) in the box immediately following the name of the candidate of your choice. If you wish to vote for a prune producer other than those listed in your district, write in the name of that candidate in the space provided, but be sure that he is an independent prune producer in the district in which you vote and is not named as a candidate in any other district.

7. After marking your ballot, insert in the enclosed, "SECRET BALLOT ENVELOPE" and seal it.

8. Then be sure to complete the certification form printed on the inside of the flap of the return envelope. Also be sure to sign it. Insert it in the SECRET BALLOT ENVELOPE in the return envelope, seal it, and mail it. The information on the certification form is essential to verify your eligibility to vote without disclosing your identity on the ballot, the secrecy of which is further protected by the SECRET BALLOT ENVELOPE. The SECRET BALLOT ENVELOPE containing your ballot will be placed in the ballot box and will not be opened until all ballots are tabulated by the Elections Committee right after the voting period closes on March 31. It is important therefore, that your ballot be marked correctly.

9. Be sure the return envelope containing your ballot is postmarked not later than March 31.

2006 MAP OF INDEPENDENT CALIFORNIA PRUNE PRODUCER VOTING DISTRICTS



See page 2 for detailed boundary within Sutter County.

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NOTE: PLEASE VOTE FOR BOTH COMMITTEE AND BOARD MEMBERSHIP

PRUNE MARKETING COMMITTEE
VOTE IN ONE DISTRICT ONLY

CALIFORNIA PRUNE BOARD
VOTE IN ONE DISTRICT ONLY

DISTRICT NO. 1

(The counties of Glenn and Colusa.)

FOR COMM. MEMBER
(Vote for one)

FOR COMM. ALTERNATE
(Vote for one)

FOR BOARD MEMBER
(Vote for one)

FOR BOARD ALTERNATE
(Vote for one)

(Write in space)

(Write in space)

(Write in space)

(Write in space)

DISTRICT NO. 2

(That portion of Sutter County north of a line extending along Bogue Road easterly to the Yuba County line and westerly to the Colusa County line and south of a line extending along Clark Road easterly to the Yuba County line and westerly to the Colusa County line.)

FOR COMM. MEMBER
(Vote for one)

FOR COMM. ALTERNATE
(Vote for one)

FOR BOARD MEMBER
(Vote for one)

FOR BOARD ALTERNATE
(Vote for one)

(Write in space)

(Write in space)

(Write in space)

(Write in space)

DISTRICT NO. 3

(All of Yolo County and that portion of Sutter County south of a line extending along Bogue Road easterly to the Yuba County line and westerly to the Colusa County line.)

FOR COMM. MEMBER
(Vote for one)

FOR COMM. ALTERNATE
(Vote for one)

FOR BOARD MEMBER
(Vote for one)

FOR BOARD ALTERNATE
(Vote for one)

(Write in space)

(Write in space)

(Write in space)

(Write in space)

DISTRICT NO. 4

(The counties of Alpine, Amador, Del Norte, El Dorado, Humboldt, Lake, Lassen, Mendocino, Modoc, Napa, Nevada, Placer, Plumas, Sacramento, Shasta, Sierra, Siskiyou, Sonoma, Tehama and Trinity.)

FOR COMM. MEMBER
(Vote for one)

FOR COMM. ALTERNATE
(Vote for one)

FOR BOARD MEMBER
(Vote for one)

FOR BOARD ALTERNATE
(Vote for one)

(Write in space)

(Write in space)

(Write in space)

(Write in space)

DISTRICT NO. 5

(All of Butte County and that portion of Sutter County north of a line extending along Clark Road easterly to the Yuba County line and westerly to the Colusa County line.)

FOR COMM. MEMBER
(Vote for one)

FOR COMM. ALTERNATE
(Vote for one)

FOR BOARD MEMBER
(Vote for one)

FOR BOARD ALTERNATE
(Vote for one)

(Write in space)

(Write in space)

(Write in space)

(Write in space)

DISTRICT NO. 5

(Yuba County)

FOR COMM. MEMBER
(Vote for one)

FOR COMM. ALTERNATE
(Vote for one)

FOR BOARD MEMBER
(Vote for one)

FOR BOARD ALTERNATE
(Vote for one)

(Write in space)

(Write in space)

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(Write in space)

DISTRICT NO. 7

(The counties of Fresno, Kings, Merced, San Benito, San Joaquin, Santa Clara, Solano, Tulare and all other counties not included in Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6.)

FOR COMM. MEMBER
(Vote for one)

FOR COMM. ALTERNATE
(Vote for one)

FOR BOARD MEMBER
(Vote for one)

FOR BOARD ALTERNATE
(Vote for one)

(Write in space)

(Write in space)

(Write in space)

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