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VOTING DEADLINE

BALLOT

WALNUT MARKETING BOARD

ELECTION OF INDEPENDENT PRODUCER MEMBERS AND ALTERNATES

DISTRICT NO. 1

Consists of the counties in the State that lie north of a line drawn on the southern boundaries of San Mateo, Alameda, San Joaquin, Calaveras and Alpine counties.

DISTRICT NO. 2

Consists of all other counties in the State south of the boundary line set forth in the definition of District No. 1.

VOTING INSTRUCTIONS:

In accordance with the provisions of Section 984.35(a)(4), Section 984.35(a)(5) and Section 984.35(a)(6) of Marketing Order No. 984, as amended, I hereby vote for the following members and alternates members as representatives of independent producers of the Walnut Marketing Board for the two year term beginning July 1, _____.

For the district positions, you may vote for one member and one alternate from your district. Indicate your vote by placing an "X" in the box opposite the name of the member and alternate of your choice, according to your district. Write-in lines are provided if you wish to nominate qualified walnut producers from your district who are not shown on this ballot.

Producers who grow walnuts in more than one district must select one district in which they wish to vote.

Your ballot will be invalidated if you vote for more than one person for each position or if you vote in more than one district.

BY DISTRICT ONLY

Member (Producer)	District 1	District 2	Alternate (Producer)	District 1	District 2

For the statewide positions, you may vote for one member and one alternate regardless of your district. Indicate your vote by placing an "X" in the box opposite the name of the member and alternate of your choice.

Write-in lines are provided if you wish to nominate qualified walnut producers from either District 1 or District 2 who are not shown on this ballot.

Your ballot will be invalidated if you vote for more than one person for each position.

STATEWIDE

Member (Producer)	Vote	Alternate (Producer)	Vote

CERTIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY

I hereby certify that I am currently a qualified independent walnut producer in District 1 or District 2 and have voted in only one district.

Legal Name of Voting Entity _____

Tax ID # _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____

Zip _____

Authorized Signature _____

Phone _____

Please indicate the following about the producer (legal entity) for which you are voting:

___ INDIVIDUAL ___ TRUST ___ PARTNERSHIP ___ CORPORATION ___ ESTATE

IF PARTNERSHIP, LIST PARTNER(S) _____

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

984.35(a)(4) One member to represent growers who market their walnuts through cooperative handlers or independent handlers, whichever category of such handlers had certified as merchantable more than 50 percent of the kernel weight of all walnuts certified as merchantable by all handlers during the two marketing years preceding the year in which nominations were made - the member representing growers who market their walnuts through independent handlers shall be nominated at large in the State of California;

984.35(a)(5) One member to represent growers from District 1 who market their walnuts through independent handlers; and

984.35(a)(6) One member to represent growers from District 2 who market their walnuts through independent handlers.

984.35(c) Grower Districts:

(1) District 1. District 1 encompasses the counties in the State of California that lie north of a line drawn on the south boundaries of San Mateo, Alameda, San Joaquin, Calaveras, and Alpine Counties.

(2) District 2. District 2 shall consist of all other walnut producing counties in the State of California south of the boundary line set forth in subparagraph (1) of this paragraph.

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