

**United States Department of Agriculture
Agricultural Marketing Service**

**OFFICIAL REFERENDUM BALLOT
WATERMELON RESEARCH AND
PROMOTION PLAN**

To be counted, completed ballots must be received by the U.S. Department of Agriculture on or after ____ XX, 20XX and before 4:30 p.m. Eastern Standard Time on ____ XX, 20XX.

NOTE: Only one vote will be counted for each eligible producer, first handler and importer. Incomplete ballots will be INVALID and will not be counted in the referendum.

PLACE LABEL HERE

I. CERTIFICATION

_____ I am currently a **PRODUCER** of watermelons and I handled _____ acres/pounds of watermelons between Month xx, 20XX and Month xx, 20XX.

_____ I am currently a **HANDLER** of watermelons and I handled _____ acres/pounds between Month xx, 20XX and Month xx, 20XX.

_____ I am currently an **IMPORTER** of watermelons and I imported _____ acres/pounds of watermelons between Month xx, 20XX and Month xx, 20XX.

II. VOTE

Instructions: Mark one box only.

**Do you favor the continuance of the [amendment (s)]
Watermelon Research and Promotion Plan?**

YES _____ NO _____

III. SIGNATURE

ALL BALLOTS MUST BE SIGNED AND DATED BELOW IN ORDER TO BE COUNTED.

I **CERTIFY** that the information contained on this ballot is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and is made in good faith. If this ballot is being cast on behalf of any group of individuals, partnership, corporation, or other business entity engaged in the handling or importation of watermelons, I also **CERTIFY** that I have the authority to cast this ballot and will submit evidence thereof if so requested by the Referendum Agent.

SIGNATURE

DATE

COMPANY NAME (print)

(____) _____ - _____
BUSINESS TELEPHONE NUMBER

COUNTY

IV. MAILING

Return ballot in the enclosed, postage-paid envelope.

If postage-paid envelope is not available, mail your ballot(s) to:

U.S. Department of Agriculture, AMS
WATERMELON REFERENDUM
XXXXXXX
City, State Zip

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