RAISIN ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE

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**APPLICATION FOR A \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ RAISIN DIVERSION CERTIFICATE**

**DIVERSION (ABORTION) ONLY**

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| 1. Producer name: |  |  | **RAC USE ONLY** |
| 2. Mailing address: |  |  |
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| 3. E-mail address: |  |  |
| 4. Telephone number: |  |  |
| 5. Location and address of production unit to be diverted: |
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| 6. Acres to be aborted: |  | acres |  |
| 7. Total acres of production unit: |  | acres *(Producer must submit with the application a*  |
| *general map of production unit showing location of acreage to be aborted.)* |
| 8. Documents attached (*provide any two of those listed)*: |  |
|  |  | Plat map |  |
|  |  | Irrigation tax bill |
|  |  | Property tax bill |  |
|  |  | Other with APN (Assessor’s parcel number) |  |
| 9. Creditable fruit weight of  |  | raisins produced on production unit in 20\_\_\_ crop year: |
|  | pounds *(Producer must submit delivery report from handler prior to July 31, 20\_\_\_.)* |
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| If different than producer’s name above, name under which raisins were delivered: |
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| Name of handler(s) to whom meeting raisins were delivered: |
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I hereby agree to comply with all the regulations established for the Raisin Diversion Program and certify that all persons with an equity interest in the raisins produced from grapes grown on the production unit identified herein consent to the filing of this application.

The making of any false statement or representations in any matter within the jurisdiction of any agency of the United States, knowing it to be false, is a violation of title 18, section 1001 of the United States Code, which provides for a penalty of a fine or imprisonment of not more than five years, or both.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

This report is required by law (7 U.S.C. 608d, 7 CFR 989.56, 7 CFR 989.156(b)). Failure to report can result in a fine of $1,100 for each such violation, and each day during which such violation continues shall be deemed a separate violation.

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**INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING FORM RAC-1000**

Producer’s address should be the address to which you wish correspondence mailed.

Location of production unit: In addition to a numbered address, please provide a location (e.g. NW corner of Shields and Dickenson; East side of Road 28 approximately half way between Avenues 7 and 8).

A production unit must be physically identifiable having permanent boundaries (either natural or man-made). **No partial production units will be accepted for diversion.** A production unit is the planted acreage and does not include home sites, yard acres or roads.

**Creditable fruit weight (meeting weight) of raisins produced on a production unit must be verifiable from delivery records furnished to RAC by handlers to whom you delivered raisins. If you have more than one production unit, the raisin deliveries should be identified as John Doe - River Ranch, Bluff Ranch, Ranch #1, Ranch #2, etc. The producer may be requested to provide additional information when the delivery record is not readily identifiable with the production unit on the application.**

Any production units that have revised weights subsequent to the program announcement date may be referred to the RAC Executive Committee for review prior to approval.

Documents required include copies of any **TWO** of the following: Plat map from County Hall of Records, Irrigation Tax Bill, County Tax Bill, or any other Document containing an Assessor’s Parcel Number.

If you wish to divert more than one production unit and want a diversion certificate to be issued for each unit, please complete and submit a separate application for a diversion certificate for each unit.

If a producer intends to remove vines on a production unit and also diverts (aborts) the grape crop on another unit, a separate application should be submitted for the vine removal (form RAC-1000R) and the diverted (aborted) unit or partial unit (form RAC-1000).

The applicant, whose application has been approved, agrees that by participating in the Raisin Diversion Program, the information in the application may be disclosed to the RAC, its representatives or agents.

The applicant, whose application has been approved, authorizes RAC representatives and agents to have access to the production unit in the diversion program during reasonable daytime hours during the crop year to confirm compliance with the program. Such access shall include entry into production unit(s), if deemed necessary.

Applications for a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Raisin Diversion Certificate must be received in the RAC office by 4:30 p.m. on December 20, 20\_\_\_, or if submitted by mail, must be filed by **CERTIFIED MAIL** not later than December 20, 20\_\_\_.

The following statements are made in accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a) and the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, as amended.  The authority for requesting the information to be supplied on this form is the Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937, Secs. 1-19, 48 Stat. 31, as amended, (7 U.S.C. 601-674).  Furnishing the requested information is necessary for the administration of the marketing order program.  Submission of the Tax Identification Number (TIN) is mandatory, and will be used to determine affiliation or entity identity.  If a TIN is not disclosed, the information provided will not become invalid if another means of identifying the entity exists.

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