

**Justification of Change Worksheet
Fruit Crops Information Collection 0581-0189**

July 2018

This Justification request is to replace the 14 Background/Acceptance forms currently approved in this 0581-0189 information package with the two currently approved ‘standardized’ Background/Acceptance forms approved on July 5, 2018, in the Tart Cherry 0581-0177 information package. These two approved forms are the ‘standardized’ forms (SC-8 and SC-9) that can be catered to each of the Marketing Order and Agreement Division’s (MOAD) Federal marketing orders. The Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) is following a USDA initiative in consolidating and removing excess forms in each of the information collection packages.

This Fruit Crops package contains the forms for Federal marketing orders: 920 Kiwi, 906 TX Citrus, 929 Cranberries, 915 Avocados, 905 FL Citrus, 925 Desert Grapes, 927 Pears, 922 Apricots and 923 Sweet Cherries.

The 14 currently approved industry and public member background forms are being replaced by these two standardized forms. In addition, DISTRICT will be added in the POSITION section for the Kiwifruit, Cranberry, Avocado, Citrus, Fresh and Processed Pears, Apricots and Sweet Cherries Federal marketing order programs.

Replacing the deleted forms listed below with the approved standardized forms (SC-8 and SC-9) will decrease the burden from 14.64 hours to 11.75 hours. This is a decrease of 2.89 burden hours. Below is a description of the burden hour changes:

Form	Burden Hours	# of Respondents (A)	Responses per Respondents (B)	Total Annual Response (AxB) = C	Hours per Response D	Total Hours (Cx D)=E
Adding						
Background Form-Industry Member (SC-9)	5 mins	265	0.5000	132.5	0.0830	11
Background Form-Public Member (SC-8)	5 mins	18	0.5000	9	0.0830	0.75
TOTAL ADDING		283				11.75
Deleting						
920 Kiwi: SC-266 Confidential Background Questionnaire/Statement	5 mins	22	0.5000	11	0.0830	.91
920 Kiwi: SC-266-1 Confidential Background	5 mins	2	0.5000	1.00	0.0830	0.08

Questionnaire/Statement						
906 TX Citrus SC-82 Confidential Background Questionnaire/Statement	5 mins	30	0.3300	10.00	0.0830	0.83
929 Cranberries. SC- 259 Confidential Background Questionnaire/Statement	5 mins	2	0.5000	1.00	0.0830	0.08
SC-260 Confidential Background Questionnaire/Statement	5 mins	22	0.5000	11.00	0.0830	0.91
915 Avocados SC-97 Confidential Background Questionnaire/Statement	5 mins	18	1.0000	18.00	0.0830	1.49
915 Avocados SC-97-1 Confidential Background Questionnaire/Statement	5 mins	2	1.0000	2.00	0.0830	0.17
905 FL Citrus SC-163 Confidential Background Statement for Administrative Committee	5 mins	34	1.0000	34.00	0.0830	2.82
905 FL Citrus SC-164 Confidential Background Statement for Administrative Committee Public Member	5 mins	2	1.0000	2.00	0.0830	0.17
925 Desert Grapes SC- 74 Confidential Background Questionnaire/Statement	5 mins	24	1.0000	24.00	0.0830	1.99
927 Pears (Fresh and Processed) SC-120 Committee Member	5 mins	63	0.5000	31.50	0.0830	2.61
927 Pears (Fresh and Processed) SC-129 Public Member	5 mins	6	0.5000	3.00	0.0830	0.25
922 Apricots SC-152 Confidential Background Questionnaire/Statement	5 mins	24	0.5000	12.00	0.0830	1.00
923 Sweet Cherries SC-	5 mins	32	0.5000	16.00	0.0830	1.33

23 Confidential Background Questionnaire/Statement						
TOTAL DELETING		283				14.64
GRAND TOTAL DELETING-ADDING		Same # of respondents				14.64- 11.75= 2.89 hours

Background Form- Industry Member (SC-9)

Federal marketing orders are administered by a committee consisting of producer/growers, handler, and sometimes public members. Committee nominees are required to complete and submit this form, which requests information pertaining to the nominee’s relation to the industry overseen by the committee on which he or she wishes to serve. The Secretary uses this information to determine whether nominees are eligible to serve in the positions for which they are nominated. The Background Questionnaire (with Acceptance Statement Included) includes a statement that the nominee signs, certifying that he or she will uphold the committee ethics regulations if elected. Any specific information regarding commodities specific information has been replaced with blank space so that multiple commodities can use the same form.

Background Form- Public Member (SC-8)

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