



## ANNOUNCEMENT OF OPEN SEATS ON THE HASS AVOCADO BOARD

### HASS AVOCADO PRODUCER MEMBERS & ALTERNATES

The Hass Avocado Board (HAB) announces the availability of X open producer seats on the Board, X member seats and X alternate member seats. Persons appointed to fill these seats will serve on the Board from November 1, 20XX, to October 31, 20XX.

**Producers who are interested in serving as a member or alternate member of HAB must complete and return the form provided below. Completed forms may be faxed, emailed, or mailed, but must be received at the HAB office no later than MONTH XX, 20XX. Producers that would like to nominate another producer, shall have the nominee complete this form and attach a nomination cover letter.**

Qualification Requirements:

To be eligible to serve on the Board as a producer member or alternate, producers must be in accordance with:

1. Section 219.30(a) of the Hass Avocado Promotion, Research, and Information Order (the "Order") requires every board member and alternate to be domiciled in the United States. Domiciled means a place where a person has their true, fixed, and permanent home, and to which whenever they are absent, they have the intention of returning. A person may have more than one residence but only one domicile. *Black's Law Dictionary* (5<sup>th</sup> Edition). No single document, fact or circumstance, is conclusive in determining United States domicile, and if a nominee, member, or alternate is uncertain of his or her domicile status, he or she should consult his or her attorney
2. Section 1219.20 of the Order defines a "Producer" as any person who is engaged in the business of producing Hass avocados in the United States for commercial use, who owns, or shares the ownership and risk of loss, of such Hass avocados. In addition, the term "person" (as defined in §1219.19 of the Order) means any individual, group of individuals, firm, partnership, corporation, joint stock company, association, cooperative, or any other legal entity.
3. Section 1219.30(b)(1) requires producers to be subject to assessments under the Order.

Following receipt of nominee names, HAB will engage an independent Certified Public Accounting Firm to conduct a nomination process to arrive at two names for each open seat. The names of those receiving the highest number of votes for the available seats will be submitted to the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture (Secretary). The Secretary will make the final decision on who will be appointed to fill the open seats. For information, call HAB XXX-XXX-XXXX.

If you are a producer and would like to be considered as a nominee for the producer member and/or alternate seat, complete and sign the form below and return to HAB.

By my signature I hereby certify that I meet the Qualification Requirements to serve as a producer on HAB.

Name (print) \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Grove Name \_\_\_\_\_

Grove Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Fax Number \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

**Must be received in HAB office no later than MONTH XX, 20XX**

**Return via Fax to: Hass Avocado Board, 949-341-3253  
Scan and email to: [silvia@hassavocado.com](mailto:silvia@hassavocado.com)  
Or mail to: HAB Board Open Seats, Street  
City, State, Zip**

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