

Justification of Change Worksheet

OMB No. 0581-0242

Almond Salmonella

Marketing Order for Almonds Grown in California (7 CFR 981)

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This Justification for Change seeks OMB's approval on corrections to one form that is part of OMB No. 0581-0242, almonds grown in California, Marketing Order No. 981 (7 CFR part 981). The Almond Board of California (Board) uses these forms to locally administer the Federal marketing order for California almonds under the Agricultural Marketing Service's oversight.

The following form under "Section 1: Background Information," Box 1 gives an option for "New Plan" with a check box. This option is to indicate the destination of a handlers almond shipment. This addition was most likely done in error during the renewal process and does not reflect a current option that is available for those completing the form. Making this change from "New Plan" to "Exported to locations outside the U.S., Canada, or Mexico will provide form users the correct destination of almond shipments option and will not affect the burden hours for the processors and handlers completing these forms.

- 1) **Almond Board of California Handler Treatment Plan**, ABC Form No. 54 (§§ 981.442 (i)(4)): Handlers file this form with the Committee to describe how a handler plans to treat their almonds and must address specific parameters as outlined by the board for the handler to ship almonds.