

OMB No. 0581-0178
Vegetable and Specialty Crops
Marketing Order for Olives Grown in California (7 CFR 932)

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This Justification of Change seeks OMB's approval on corrections to two forms that are part of OMB No. 0581-0178, olives grown in California, Marketing Order No. 932 (7 CFR part 932). The California Olive Committee (Committee) uses these forms to locally administer the Federal marketing order for California olives under the Agricultural Marketing Service's oversight.

The following forms require an update to make the number of selections required for "Member/Alternate Candidates" positions to be changed based on the eligible number of qualified candidates at the time of the selection. With changes in the California Olive Industry, there is a possibility that there will not be enough qualified candidates eligible to serve on the Committee. With the current form, three individuals may not be listed as options. This change will streamline the selection process by providing fluid options to voting members based on the number of qualified candidates while also allowing the nomination process to meet the Marketing Order guidelines and will not affect the burden hours for the processors and handlers completing these forms.

- 1) **Producer Nomination Ballot, District No. 1** SC-269 (§§ 981.129): Producers in District No. 1: Counties of Alpine, Tuolumne, Stanislaus, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, and all counties north thereof. This ballot is used to vote for Member Candidates and Alternate Candidates, that are selected and used during the Selection process. The request is to remove the word "Three" and corresponding number following as now there could be different numbers of selections based on the number of individuals qualified to serve.
- 2) **Producer Nomination Ballot, District No. 2** SC-273 (§§ 981.129): Producers in District No. 2: Counties of Mono, Mariposa, Merced, San Benito, Monterey, and all counties south thereof. This ballot is used to vote for Member Candidates and Alternate Candidates, that are selected and used during the Selection process. The request is to remove the word "Three" and corresponding number following as now there could be different numbers of selections based on the number of individuals qualified to serve.