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TO: Network of California Fairs and Interested Parties

SUBJECT: State Rules Advisory Committee Applications

The California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) State Rules Advisory Committee held its annual meeting on October 19, 2022. One of the topics discussed at the meeting was the Advisory Committee terms. Eight positions, including the Committee Chair position, have termed out this year and CDFA is currently accepting applications for new members or reappointment of existing members. Applicants for Committee Chair may be existing members or new applicants.

The committee is appointed by the Branch Chief of Fairs and Expositions Branch (F&E) and will be announced by December 31, 2022. The responsibility of the committee is to review the State Rules on an annual basis and make a recommendation for adoption to CDFA F&E. The Advisory Committee application is for a four-year term that would begin on January 1, 2023, and end on December 31, 2026. Applicants must be representatives of the fair industry and employed within California, each having awareness of the current requirements of livestock classification and/or current trends in still exhibits. The committee should be a balance of expertise in livestock, horse shows, small animals, and/or still exhibits. Each member of the Committee shall serve without compensation.

<u>Please Note</u>: once the new committee members have been selected for the new twoyear term, F&E will be requesting volunteers from the committee to serve on a subcommittee to assist F&E with State Rules issues that may arise throughout the 2023 fair season. Three sub-committees will be formed to assist with large animals, small animals, and still-exhibit-related matters.

Should you, or an appropriate member of your team, be interested in applying to be considered for State Rules Advisory Committee, please fill out the attached application form and email it to Sofia Goss at <a href="mailto:sofia.goss@cdfa.ca.gov">sofia.goss@cdfa.ca.gov</a> and F&E's Branch Chief, Mike Francesconi at <a href="mailto:mike.francesconi@cdfa.ca.gov">mike.francesconi@cdfa.ca.gov</a> by November 15, 2022. If you are interested in being considered for Committee Chair, please email Sofia Goss directly to be added to the list of interested applicants for Committee Chair.

Respectfully,

Mike Francesconi Branch Chief