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Human Resources Branch			
The Human Resources Branch provides personnel services for California's District Agricultural Associations (DAAs).			
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Labor Relations Unit			
This unit represents DAA management in employer/employee relations; and provides consulting services regarding labor contract interpretation, application, and grievance and complaint resolution.			
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Disability Management Unit			
This unit provides consulting services regarding Family Medical Leave Act, California Family Rights Act, State Disability Insurance, Non-Industrial Disability Insurance, and returning an employee to work following workers' compensation or disability leave.			
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