

Additional Information on Department's Proposed Changes to Mileage Calculation for Transportation Allowance

PC Miler Comparison to PUC Mileage Table

From 2006 to the present, CDFA reviewed mileage data programs that could be used as a replacement for the aging PUC Mileage Table used for Milk Pooling calculations. PC Miler was the program of choice identified by several dairy stakeholders after their positive experience using the program. Several other programs were evaluated but PC Miler performed most effectively.

The mileage calculation differences between the PUC Table and PC Miler are generally small. PC Miler distances tend to be slightly less than PUC Table distances. Though the range of differences is rather broad, 49 miles greater to 64 miles less, comparing PC Miler to the PUC Table, the overall average difference is only 0.1 mile.

CDFA has parallel tested the two mileage systems with actual Pool data for the months of January to March of 2008. The total composite Transportation Allowance effect to the Pool from using the new mileage amounts from PC Miler vs. the old PUC Mileage Table for the three months are:

Month (2008)	PUC Mileage	PC Miler	Difference	Percent
January	\$2,445,795.12	\$2,359,233.14	-\$86,561.98	-3.54%
February	\$2,207,001.60	\$2,133,638.77	-\$73,362.83	-3.32%
March	\$2,389,859.59	\$2,306,488.20	-\$83,371.39	-3.49%