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Our Mission

To serve the citizens of California by promoting and protecting a safe, healthy food supply, and enhancing local and global agricultural trade, through efficient management, innovation and sound science, with a

Our Divisions

Administrative Services: Provides centralized support and management services to CDFA, including fiscal and personnel management, employee-employer relations, and business services. In addition, the division oversees projects such as employee recognition award programs, upward mobility and career related training programs.

Inspection Services: Provides professional services that support and contribute to a safe, abundant, quality food supply; environmentally sound agricultural practices; and an equitable marketplace for California agriculture.

Plant Health & Pest Prevention: Protects California's food supply from the devastating impact of exotic pests; environment and natural resources from direct pest impacts and increased pesticide use; public from pests that pose human health threats; and position in the global economy.

Animal Health & Food Safety: Protects the safety and security of meat, poultry, dairy products, and other foods of animal origin; public and animal health through the prevention, detection, and eradication of livestock and poultry diseases and dairy contamination incidents; and cattle owners against loss of animals by theft, straying or misappropriation through on-going inspections and investigative services.

Citrus & Pest Disease Prevention: Primary responsibilities are detection, suppression, and eradication of Asian citrus psyllid (ACP) and Huanglongbing (HLB) throughout the State.

Measurement Standards: Enforcement of California weights and measures laws and regulations by ensuring the accuracy of commercial weighing and measuring devices; verifying the quantity of both bulk and packaged commodities; and enforcing the quality, advertising and labeling standards for most petroleum products.

Marketing Services: California currently produces over 350 different crops which enter state, national and international commerce. The Division assists in the promotion and administrative oversight of agricultural marketing programs in order to promote California agricultural products.

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