

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FOOD & AGRICULTURE

Karen Ross, Secretary

NOTICE OF BLUEBERRY REGISTRATION AND CERTIFICATION SCOPING MEETING

Tuesday, October 19, 2021 from 1:00PM to 4:00PM Zoom: <u>https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81674661531</u>

> Meeting ID: 816 7466 1531 Passcode: caneblue1! Dial-In: 1-669-900-6833 Dial-In Meeting ID: 816 7466 1531 Dial-In Passcode: 2568340547

The California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) Nursery, Seed, and Cotton (NSC) Program is interested in establishing a new registration and certification program for *Vaccinium* spp. berry crops. The NSC program is now requesting feedback on draft registration and certification regulations through stakeholder scoping meetings. The goal of the new registration and certification program is to promote use of disease tested material in California.

This meeting will be held via Webinar rather than at a physical location. The meeting notice, agenda, and materials considered during the meeting will be available online, in advance of the meeting, at <u>http://www.cdfa.ca.gov/plant/meetings/.</u>

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If you would like to submit questions or comments prior to the meeting, send them to Katherine Filippini at <u>katiefilippini@cdfa.ca.gov</u> or Nursery Services Program,1220 N Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, or call 916-654-0435. Please specify the agenda item to which your question or comment pertains. The agenda of the meeting is attached to this notice.

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Blueberry Registration and Certification Scoping Meeting Agenda

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This scoping meeting is to explore the establishment of a new registration and certification program for blueberry nursery stock with the goal to promote the use of disease tested material in California.

- 1) Introduction and Discussion of Proposed Blueberry Program
- 2) Review Draft Blueberry Regulations
 - a) Program Definitions
 - b) Program Responsibilities
 - c) Eligibility Requirements
 - d) Planting Location and Maintenance Requirements
 - e) Inspection and Testing Procedures
 - f) Refusal, Suspension, or Cancellation
 - g) Estimated Program Costs

3) Additional Questions/Comments

Agenda order is tentative and subject to change by the Department of Food and Agriculture without prior notice.

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