

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE FOR PISTACHIOS

2018 ELECTION NOMINATION NOTICE

The Administrative Committee for Pistachios (Committee) is conducting elections to seat new members for the term that begins July 1, 2018 and ends June 30, 2020. Four producer members (two in District 1, one in District 2, one in District 3), one handler member, as well as an alternate member for each position need to be filled.

The Committee is composed of nine producer members, two handler members, one public member and each member's alternate. The Committee locally administers Federal Marketing Order 983 (Order) for pistachios grown in California, Arizona, and New Mexico. The Committee meets periodically to review Order issues and make recommendations to the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) regarding the Order. Through the Order, the pistachio industry implements programs designed to improve producer returns.

If you are interested in increasing your involvement in the pistachio industry, we encourage you to consider seeking nomination to the Committee. To qualify for a member or alternate member position, you must produce or handle pistachios, have a proprietary interest in the production or handling of pistachios or be an employee of a person who produces or handles pistachios. In order to enhance the membership diversity, eligible women, minorities, and persons with disabilities are encouraged to seek nomination for a position on the Committee.

Deadline for submitting nominations: Wednesday, February 28, 2018

Voting period will be: March 23, 2018 — April 13, 2018

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