

## **CALIFORNIA PRUNE BOARD**

(posted Monday January 29, 2024)

# NOTICE OF MEETING of the GOVERNMENT & ISSUES MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE of the CALIFORNIA PRUNE BOARD

Thursday, February 8, 2024, 10:00am PT In-person: 2600 River Plaza Drive, Centennial Room, Sacramento, CA 95833 Virtual: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81319017272</u>

A meeting of the Government & Issues Management Committee of the California Prune Board has been called to discuss subjects shown on the following agenda. This meeting will be held in-person, but a virtual option is available as well (see details above). Lunch will be provided at the conclusion of this meeting. Please <u>RSVP to Becky at bpoland@californiaprunes.org by Monday,</u> <u>February 5<sup>th</sup> to confirm your attendance.</u>

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The CPB also must follow the Bagley Keene Open Meeting Act (see Section 11125[a]), which covers all state boards and commissions. It requires these bodies to publicly notice their meetings, prepare agendas, accept public testimony and conduct their meetings in public unless specifically authorized by the Act to meet in closed session. A copy of the meeting notices must be posted on the California Department of Food and Agriculture website at: <u>Marketing Branch Meeting Notices</u>. They are also found on the CPB website at: <u>CPB Meeting Schedule</u>. The CDFA EEO Policies can be found at: <u>http://www.cdfa.ca.gov/exec/EEO/EEO Docs.html</u>.

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cc: Government & Issues Management Committee Members, All Processors, M. Torrey, G. Obenauf and CDFA

<u>Gov't & Issues Mgmt. Committee</u> Dan Bozzo Nick Cubre Brendon Flynn Tom Jones Maxwell Norton George Sousa, Jr. James Strong Greg Thompson Mike Vereschagin

#### AGENDA

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(10:00am) 1. CALL TO ORDER B. Flynn 2. **ROLL CALL** B. Poland (10:05am) CHAIR/PUBLIC COMMENTS 3. B. Flynn (10:10am) 4. FEDERAL POLICY D. Zea/Torrey Advisory Group Issues Briefing/Discussion • Identify 2024/25 CPB Federal Priorities DC Spring Trip (10:55am) 5. STATE POLICY D. Zea • Identify 2024/25 CPB Priorities (11:20am) 6. DFA REPORT T. Jones 7. (11:30am) COALITIONS REVIEW D. Zea/Z. Bagley/G. Obenauf (11:40am) 8. COMMITTEE PROGRAMS BUDGET REVIEW D. Zea • Recommendations for 2024/25 (11:50am) 9. OTHER BUSINESS B. Flynn ADJOURNMENT B. Flynn (12:00pm) 10.

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