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Hi Cindy,

Thank you to you and Laura for attending the recent Idaho State Horticultural Society Convention (ISHS), and providing information on RULES GOVERNING GRADING AND CONTROLLED ATMOSPHERE STORAGE RULES OF APPLES 02.02.04 – and the RULES GOVERNING STONE FRUIT GRADES 02.02.05. In follow up to your report the membership of the ISHS would like the rules to move forward as they are at this time, with the changes that have already been made, so that members of the ISHS will have time to review the rules and make any changes they feel are necessary.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

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The 2019 rules reauthorization process is unprecedented and required all state agencies to review

and thoroughly reevaluate all of its administrative rules. A special edition of the Idaho Administrative Bulletin published on June 19 reauthorized most of the Ag Inspection division rules with some modification consistent with Governor Little’s direction under the Red Tape Reduction Act. The project was large and required a quick turnaround. The ISDA engaged its industry partners and the public in that effort.

It is important to note that the agency’s intent was not to make substantive changes, this is consistent with the Governor’s direction. The language requiring certain actions by regulated industry or the agency in 2018 is still there in September of 2019. This project has simply combined rules of similar subject matters.

Governor Little has directed all state agencies to continue to review reauthorized rules from earlier this year for opportunities to eliminate or simplify obsolete, outdated or unnecessary rules. Consistent with the Governor’s direction, Ag Inspections has modified many of its rule chapters eliminating unnecessary and redundant language and combining many rule chapters that regulate similar activities. This effort has condensed the division’s rule index in an effort to make rules easier to navigate and understand. Because certain rule chapters have been combined and renamed, we need your input on this task. Rules have been posted on the ISDA website and the ISDA is accepting public comment through September 20, 2019.

In addition, negotiated rulemaking meetings have been scheduled for Monday, September 16, 2019, at the ISDA office in Boise, with the following schedule:

- 9:00 a.m. – Rules Governing Grading and Controlled Atmosphere Storage of Apples
- 9:30 a.m. – Rules Governing Stone Fruit Grades
- 10:00 a.m. – Rules Governing Bulk Permit and Retail Sale of Potatoes

If you are unable to attend the meeting in person, written comments will be accepted and considered. Below is the list of Ag Inspection division rules that have been modified and a link to the combined rules.

| Previous IDAPA Rules | Combined Rule |
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| 02.02.02 Department of Agriculture Controlled Atmosphere Storage Rules 02.02.04 Idaho Standards for Grades of Apples | https://agri.idaho.gov/main/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/020202_Rules-Governing-Grading-and-Controlled-Atmosphere-Storage-of-Apples-1.pdf |
| 02.02.05 Prune Standards 02.02.06 Idaho Standards for Grades of Sweet Cherries 02.02.10 Idaho Standards for Apricots | https://agri.idaho.gov/main/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/020205_Rules-Governig-Stone-Fruit-Combined.pdf |
| 02.02.07 Bulk Permit Procedures 02.02.09 Rules Requiring the Inspection of Potatoes Intended for Sale or Offered for | https://agri.idaho.gov/main/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/020207-Rules-Governing-Bulk-Permits-and-Retail-Sale-of- |

Sale in Retail Outlets

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Please share this message with anyone you believe would be interested.

Thank you,

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