

IDAPA 02.06.10 Rules Governing Growing of Potatoes
Minutes of May 9, 2023, 8:30 am
Meeting held via Microsoft Teams Conference

Host/Facilitators: Lloyd Knight – Idaho State Department of Agriculture
Andrea Thompson – Idaho State Department of Agriculture
Chanel Tewalt – Idaho State Department of Agriculture

Stakeholders: Braden Jensen – Idaho Farm Bureau Federation
Brody Miller – Idaho Farm Bureau Federation
Kathy Stewart-Williams – Idaho Crop Improvement Association
Elizabeth Criner – Veritas Advisors LLP
Alan Westra – Idaho Crop Improvement Association
Travis Blacker – Idaho Potato Commission
Sam Eaton – Idaho Potato Commission
Robert Gourley – USDA APHIS PPQ - PCN Program Director
Patxi Larrocea-Phillips – Association Management Group
Margaret Major – DFM Administrative Rules
Brian Hansen – Guest
Josh Scholer – Guest
Camron Hammond – Guest
Laura Pickard – Guest
Mike Telford – Guest
Cody Seamons – Guest

Department Staff: Tina Eiman – Idaho State Department of Agriculture
Jared Stuart – Idaho State Department of Agriculture
Dallas Burkhalter – Deputy Attorney General

Lloyd Knight opened the meeting at 8:35 am and outlined the rulemaking process and meeting expectations.

Director Chanel Tewalt provided an opening statement that reviewed the purpose of Zero-Based Rulemaking.

Andrea Thompson reviewed:

- Subchapter A - Pale Cyst Nematode.
Proposed changes to Incorporations By Reference, update links and current versions.
Removal of unnecessary language already found in statute or otherwise redundant.
- Subchapter B – Seed Potatoes Crop Management.
Removal of unnecessary language already found in statute or otherwise redundant.
Condense land plat information to a primary reference back to ISDA website. Proposed change to section 230 removes all regulated articles except potatoes. Proposed section 260-261 marked for removal.
 - Discussion with Mr. Westra on how introduction to the pest list has been enforced and about Little Camas being listed. Mr. Stuart commented on Idaho Crop Improvement

Association standards that have changed. Mr. Knight responded with how ISDA handles the request to become listed as a seed management area.

- Ms. Pickard expressed concern about removal of peach trees as regulated commodity and would like to see language stay. Mr. Telford concurs.

- Subchapter C – Bacterial Ring Rot.
No substantial changes proposed, only changes to names and abbreviation. Open for discussion.

- Subchapter D- Planting Seed Potatoes.
Proposed requirements for uncertified seed potatoes be changed/ updated.
 - Discussion on why changes needed to be made. Mr. Knight responded that no changes have been made yet. Just open for discussion.
 - Ms. Pickard expressed concern about prevention of disease being brought in. Mr. Knight noted the concern, suggested sending in proposed language change.
 - Discussion about the process to submit proposed changes. Mr. Knight explained the negotiated rulemaking process.

No other comments were offered by stakeholders.

Mr. Knight advised this is the first of three meetings, the next rulemaking meeting May 31, 2023, at 1:30 p.m. The third is June 28, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. Meeting adjourned at 10:00 am.