

Subject: FW: Requesting Support of rule change

The Idaho Department of agriculture is currently going through their annual rule making process. IDAPA 02.06.04 – Rules Governing Plant Exports is going to be reviewed. The rule making process allows our industry to recommend changes to existing rules on the books. I am recommending a change to a section of IDAPA 02.06.04 – Rules Governing Plant Exports and request the support of the Idaho – Oregon Fruit and Vegetable Association to sign on in support of the change.

The proposed changes:

Current Rule: **IDAPA 02.06.04 – Rules Governing Plant Exports**

Page 4, Subchapter A, Subsection 110.05 Rush Service.

Current language:

05. Rush Service. This service is to accommodate phytosanitary certification applications that must be issued earlier than the routine three (3) to four (4) day turn-around. This service will be carried out only after a mutual agreement between the applicant and the Department.

Proposed language:

05. Rush Service. This service is to accommodate phytosanitary certification applications that must be issued **earlier than the routine three (3) to four (4) with a one (1)** day turn-around. This service will be carried out only after a mutual agreement between the applicant and the Department.

Explanation of the change:

This change would limit the Idaho Department of Ag from imposing a rush fee on Phytosanitary(Phyto) and post entry certifications on an applicant. It would only be allowed to impose the \$100 rush fee if a Phyto was requested within one day of being needed.

Please reach out to Stephen Parrott is you have questions about the rule change. 208-550-5080

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