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United States Potato Board Nominations Meeting

On June 19th, 2014 at 3 p.m., there will be a nominations meeting for Idaho delegates to serve on the United States Potato Board. This year Idaho has 3 open positions to fill.

The meeting will be held at the Fairfield Inn located at 230W 7th St in Burley, Idaho. There will also be a conference call line set up for this as well. That number is 208-514-4226. Participant code 1111#. Each potato organization growing more than 5 (five) acres of potatoes is eligible to participate in nominating and voting for these positions.

If you have any questions on this, please call Travis Blacker at 208-360-9560.

Responsibilities of this assignment include:

- Attend the Board's Annual Meeting in Denver, always held the third week in March. *Your interests will not be served if this nominee cannot attend each year.* Please make sure that there is not a yearly scheduling conflict at that time, i.e. family vacation, etc.
- Be present and communicate with his/her constituents on a regular basis
- Dedicate the time to actively support USPB activities in his/her area.
- Be available when called by USPB staff to speak to grower groups, newspaper reporters and interested parties about: USPB programs; the value of the Board to all growers; how the 3.0¢/hundredweight assessment is invested; and how interested parties can become active in the promotion of potatoes.

Nomination Procedures:

1. To be eligible to vote in nomination meetings or to hold a position on the Board, producers must grow potatoes on five (5) or more acres. Each producer may only vote in one (1) nomination meeting and may only vote once (1X) for each position to be filled on behalf of him or herself, partner(s) or corporation. Proxies must accompany voting on behalf of partners.
2. Determine the producer is eligible and willing to serve if appointed before the producer is nominated. **In order to serve, the producer's assessments to the National Potato Promotion Board, a.k.a., United States Potato Board, must be current.**
3. Only one nominee is required for each position to be filled. The name of a runner-up (if any) should also be reported to the Board on the "Nomination Meeting Report" form.

The United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA's) programs are open to all individuals without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age or marital status. It is therefore the United States Potato Board's (USPB's) policy to have the representation of producers on its board that reflect the diversity of individuals served by its programs and strongly encourages women, younger growers, minorities and persons with disabilities to seek nominations to the Board and to participate in the Board's activities.