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AVOCADO INSPECTION COMMITTEE (ALL MEETINGS OPEN TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC)

MEETING NOTICE

Tuesday, September 22, 2026

1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Meeting Location: United Water Conservation District Headquarters
1701 Lombard Street
Oxnard, CA 93030

Zoom Meeting ID: 165 294 7133

Passcode: AIC92226!

Dial-in Phone Number: (833) 568-8864 (Passcode: 524036541)

Link: <https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1652947133?pwd=D7yT9YbomKOhlCtcz8rD5hM82hkqzE.1>

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BOARD MEMBERS

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BOARD MEMBERS PARTICIPATING FROM A REMOTE LOCATION

The following members will be participating in the meeting from a remote location:

Chiles Wilson Jr.

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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Members of the public are encouraged to provide comments to the Avocado Inspection Committee (Committee) on each agenda item and may suggest items to be placed on the agenda for discussion at the next Committee meeting. While the Committee values the participation of the public, the Chairperson reserves the right to limit the time for public comment to a maximum of five (5) minutes per speaker in order to proceed with the agenda.



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All matters noticed on this agenda may be considered for action. Items listed on the agenda may be considered in any order at the discretion of the Chairperson. Any item not so noticed will not be considered or discussed.

Items

- (1) CALL TO ORDER - INTRODUCTIONS/ROLL CALL
- (2) ELECTION OF OFFICERS
- (3) PUBLIC COMMENTS – Limited to items not on the agenda
- (4) REVIEW OF MARCH 10, 2026 MEETING MINUTES
- (5) COMMITTEE VACANCY AND TERMS REPORT
- (6) GEM/HASS MATURITY RESEARCH PROPOSAL – Dr. Mary Lu Arpaia
- (7) REVIEW OF THE AVOCADO INSPECTION PROGRAM BUDGET
- (8) PROGRAM UPDATES
- (9) NEXT MEETING/AGENDA ITEMS
- (10) ADJOURNMENT

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PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

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