RAISIN ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE

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RAC Independent Producer Nominations

Meetings to receive nominations for independent producer representatives to serve on the Raisin Administrative Committee (RAC) for a two-year term of office beginning May 1, 2022 through April 30, 2024 have been scheduled as follows:

District I North of Fresno County	# of Positions One member & One alternate	Place of Meeting Virtual Online at www.raisins.org	Date & Time Friday February 11, 2022 1:00 – 2:00 p.m.
District 2 South of Fresno County	# of Positions One member & One alternate	Place of Meeting Virtual Online at www.raisins.org	Date & Time Friday February 11, 2022 9:00 – 10:00 a.m.
<u>District 3</u> All of Fresno County	# of Positions Fifteen members & Fifteen alternates	Place of Meeting In Person at RAC Office, 2445 Capitol Street, Suite 200, Fresno, CA and Virtual Online at www.raisins.org	<u>Date & Time</u> Friday, February 11, 2022 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Subsequent to these meetings, ballots will be sent to all independent producers for them to vote for independent producers to represent them on the RAC; those eligible to nominate, vote for, or serve as independent producers are not members of the Raisin Bargaining Association (RBA), Sun-Maid, or who sold for cash to Sun-Maid during the 2020/21 or current crop year (2021/22).

The RAC offers the opportunity for all segments of the California Raisin Industry to be represented and invites qualified women, minorities and physically challenged candidates to attend district nomination meetings and express their interest in membership. All California raisin producers are welcome to attend the meetings and participate in the discussions, but only independent producers (non-Sun-Maid and RBA members) may participate in the nominations portion of the meetings. Nominations will only be accepted from qualified persons attending the meeting.

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