

PM-20-031: California Prune Counties - 2020 Crop Year Prune Reference Date and Average Dry Count per Pound

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Date

May 12, 2020

To

All Approved Insurance Providers

All Risk Management Agency Field Offices

All Other Interested Parties

From

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Subject

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Background

This bulletin establishes the 2020 crop year Prune Reference Date. In addition, it provides Approved Insurance Providers with the average dry prune count per pound for calculating second-period immature prune appraisals.

Each year the Davis Regional Office (DRO) establishes the Prune Reference Date. This date occurs one to two weeks after prune pit tip hardening when 80 to 90 percent of the seed shows the presence of endosperm, a clear jelly-like substance at the bloom end of the seed.

The DRO also annually compiles prune industry data to determine the average dry prune count per pound for second-period immature appraisals. The appraised production to count for second-period immature appraisals uses the average dry

prune count.

Action

Effective for the 2020 crop year:

1) The Prune Reference Date for all applicable California prune counties for the 2020 crop year is April 30, 2020; and 2) The following tables shall be used to calculate second-period immature appraisals.

County	Dry Prune Count
Butte	60
Colusa;	58
Fresno	61
Glenn	58
Madera	61
Merced	61
Santa Clara	61
Solano	57
Sonoma	57
Sutter	58
Tehama	57
Tulare	61
Yolo	57
Yuba	59

For counties that insure prunes by written agreement which are not included on this list, contact the DRO for the applicable dry prune count per pound.

DISPOSAL DATE

December 31, 2020.