

## **PM-18-027: California Prune Counties - 2018 Crop Year Prune Reference Date and Average Dry County per Pound**

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Date

May 18, 2018

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 Informational Memorandum establishes the 2018 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 2018 crop year:

1. The Prune Reference Date for all applicable California prune counties for the 2018 crop year is May 4, 2018; and
2. The following tables shall be used to calculate second-period immature appraisals.

County	Dry Prune Count	County	Dry Prune Count
Buttle	60	Solano	57
Colusa	58	Sonoma	57
Fresno	63	Sutter	58
Glenn	58	Tehama	59
Madera	63	Tulare	62
Merced	63	Yolo	57
Santa Clara	63	Yuba	59

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

### **DISPOSAL DATE:**

December 31, 2018.