

IDAPA 02 – DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

02.06.31 Rules Governing Noxious Weed Free Forage and Straw

DOCKET NO. (OAR will assign)

NOTICE OF INTENT TO PROMULGATE RULES - NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING

AUTHORITY: In compliance with Sections 67-5220(1) and 67-5220(2), Idaho Code, notice is hereby given that this agency intends to promulgate rules and desires public comment prior to initiating formal rulemaking procedures. This negotiated rulemaking action is authorized pursuant to Section 22-2403, Idaho Code.

MEETING SCHEDULE: Negotiated rulemaking will be conducted as follows:

A draft of the proposed rule change will be available on July 6, 2012 on the ISDA Web site www.agri.idaho.gov. Comments must be received by ISDA by July 24, 2012.

Anyone may also attend the negotiated rulemaking meeting at the Idaho State Department of Agriculture, 2270 Old Penitentiary Road, Boise, Idaho 83712, on July 19, 2012 at 10:00 AM (MST) in Meeting Rooms A&B.

METHOD OF PARTICIPATION: Persons wishing to participate in the negotiated rulemaking must do one of the following:

All written comments must be directed to Dan Safford and must be delivered on or before July 24, 2012. Comments can be sent via email to dan.safford@agri.idaho.gov, or via mail to:

Dan Safford
Idaho State Department of Agriculture
PO Box 790
Boise, ID 83701

Or:

Attend the negotiated rulemaking meeting at the Idaho State Department of Agriculture, 2270 Old Penitentiary Road, Boise, Idaho 83712, on July 19, 2012 at 10 AM (MST) in Meeting Rooms A&B.

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY: The following is a statement in nontechnical language of the substance and purpose of the intended negotiated rulemaking and the principle issues involved:

The scope and purpose of the program will be clarified to address all possible activities of certified forage and straw products and to add that these products are intended for use on Idaho public lands.

A color of certification twine that is no longer used will be deleted from the rules. Add the year on forage tags and add that forage tags have an expiration date for attachment. Correct typographical errors of plant scientific names and amend several sections to correct a contradiction of when transit certificates need to be issued.

ASSISTANCE ON TECHNICAL QUESTIONS, SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS, OBTAINING COPIES: For assistance on technical questions concerning this negotiated rulemaking or to obtain a copy of the preliminary draft of the text of the proposed rule, contact Dan Safford at (208) 332-8592, or via email at dan.safford@agri.idaho.gov.

DATED this 8th day of June, 2012.

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