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TO: All Growers, Handlers, and Interested Parties
SUBJECT: Administrative Committee Meeting and Area Grower Meeting Schedule

The Far West Spearmint Oil Administrative Committee will meet on Wednesday, October 17, 2018 at the Red Lion Hotel, 304 SE Nye Ave, Pendleton, OR. The meeting will begin at 9:00 am with the main agenda item being the setting of the 2019-20 salable percentages. You can make reservations at the hotel by calling 541-276-6111 and asking for the Far West Spearmint group rate of \$89.00, reservations must be made by September 25, 2018. We have also secured a room rate of \$104.36 at the Wildhorse Resort and Casino. Call 1-800-654-9453 and give them the Booking ID#13822 to receive this rate, reservations must be made by September 25, 2018.

We will again hold area grower meetings prior to the main meeting. These are important meetings in that they give every grower, big or small, the opportunity to voice their input concerning the salable percentages to their Committee representative. A schedule of the area grower meetings and a listing of the current Committee is enclosed. Nominations for Committee Members and Alternates will be held in several areas. If you are interested in serving on the committee please let me or your Committee representative know.

We strongly encourage anyone interested in participating on the Committee to come to the meetings and seek to be nominated. USDA has asked that, where possible, we expand the nominees to include "women, minorities, those who are physically disabled, those who have not previously served as a member or alternate on the Committee, those representing organic or non-conventional farming, and those who represent farms defined as small businesses".

We will be holding the Annual Far West Spearmint Golf Tourney and BBQ on Tuesday, Oct. 16 at the Wild Horse Golf Course in Pendleton, OR. Enclosed is a flyer outlining the details of the event. Please note that we need to have a count of participants by October 12 in order to secure tee times. We hope to see many of you there.

For the latest statistics, bulletins, minutes and foreign reports, please refer to www.farwestspearmint.org. The stats are updated monthly.

We hope to see each of you at these area meetings and at the Committee meeting on Oct. 17.

Best Regards,

Shane Johnson
Manager

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