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08.05.01 – RULES GOVERNING SEED AND PLANT CERTIFICATION

DOCKET NO. 08-0501-1701

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 22-1504, Idaho Code.

METHOD OF PARTICIPATION: Interested persons wishing to participate in the negotiated rulemaking must respond to this notice by contacting the undersigned either in writing, by email, or by calling the phone number listed below. To participate, responses must be received by July 14, 2017.

Should a reasonable number of persons respond to this notice, negotiated meetings will be scheduled and all scheduled meetings shall be posted and made accessible on the agency website at the address listed below.

Failure of interested persons to respond to this notice of intent or the lack of a sufficient number of responses to this notice of intent may result in the discontinuation of further informal proceedings. In either event, the agency shall have sole discretion in determining the feasibility of scheduling and conducting informal negotiated rulemaking and may proceed directly to formal rulemaking if proceeding with negotiated rulemaking is deemed infeasible.

Upon the conclusion of the negotiated rulemaking, any unresolved issues, all key issues considered, and conclusions reached during the negotiated rulemaking will be addressed in a written summary. The summary will be made available to interested persons who contact the agency or, if the agency chooses, the summary may be posted on the agency website.

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY AND STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: The following is a statement in nontechnical language of the substance and purpose of the intended negotiated rulemaking and the principal issues involved:

The proposed rule would amend the Idaho Grain Certification Standards "Land Requirements" to allow irrigated fields producing certified class seeds to be used if they have not produced small grain for the previous crop year unless the small grain was of an equal or higher class of the same variety being planted. The current standard restricts the land use to field that have not produced visually indistinguishable grain for the two prior crop years unless the grain is of an equal or higher class of the same variety or unless a seedling inspection is conducted. Additional changes would amend the Potato Certification Standards, removing "corky ring spot" from the Seed Lot Disqualifying Conditions and specifying that seed lots with a greater than 1.0% of "Well Defined Mosaic" are not eligible for re-certification.

ASSISTANCE ON TECHNICAL QUESTIONS, MEETING ACCOMMODATIONS, SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS, OBTAINING DRAFT COPIES: For assistance on technical questions concerning this negotiated rulemaking, requests for special meeting accommodations or accessibility, or to obtain a preliminary draft copy of the rule text (if available), contact Tracie Bent at (208) 332-1582, or tracie.bent@osbe.idaho.gov.

Materials pertaining to the negotiated rulemaking, including any available preliminary rule drafts, can be found on the State Board of Education web site at the following web address: **www.boardofed.idaho.gov**, when they become available.

DATED this 5th day of June, 2017.

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