



ANNOUNCEMENT OF VACANT SEAT

HANDLER

The California Avocado Commission (CAC) announces the availability of one Handler Alternate Member seat on the CAC Board of Directors. The person appointed to fill the vacant seat will serve for the unexpired portion of the term, that is, through October 31, 2027.

Handlers who are interested in serving on the CAC Board should complete and return the form provided below to the Commission. Completed forms may be mailed or emailed but must be received by the Commission no later than Wednesday, February 25, 2026.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR NOMINATION

- Any person nominated as a Handler shall certify to the satisfaction of the Commission that he or she has a financial interest in handling avocados for market either through ownership, employment or membership in a legal entity which is actively and directly engaged in the handling of avocados. Furthermore, the handler entity that the nominee represents must have handled no less than one percent (1%) of the total industry volume of avocados in the preceding marketing year.
- For the purpose of qualifying for nomination, the term "actively and directly engaged in the handling of *California* avocados" shall be defined as follows:
 - Direct involvement (not through an agent) in the selling, marketing, distributing, receiving, grading, packing, canning, extracting, preserving, grinding, crushing or changing the form of *California* avocados for the purpose of preparing *California* avocados for market; and
 - Retaining ultimate control over the handling of *California* avocados and liability for reporting and payment of CAC assessments.
- All Handler candidates must meet the qualifications for nomination and submit an eligibility form, disclosure statement, and any other documents required by the Commission. Any person elected or appointed to the Commission shall maintain his/her qualifications during the entire term of office.

The vacancy is scheduled to be filled by a majority vote of the Commission Board at a meeting on Thursday, March 5, 2026. For further information, contact the Commission at 949-341-1955 or email at cac.iaf@avocado.org.

I hereby declare my eligibility to serve as a Handler Alternate Member on the California Avocado Commission Board of Directors. By my signature below I declare under penalty of perjury that I meet the qualifications for nomination outlined above.

Name (print) _____ Signature _____

Company Name _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Telephone Number _____ Fax Number _____

E-mail Address _____ Date _____

MUST BE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE FEBRUARY 25, 2026 VIA MAIL OR EMAIL

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