

2021 CAC General Election Underway

Ballots for the annual California Avocado Commission General Election were mailed to commercial producers and all handlers of record on September 27, 2021. Ballots must be postmarked by October 27, 2021, and sent to the California Department of Food and Agriculture in the postage paid envelope provided.

The elections will be held for one producer member seat and one producer alternate seat in each of the five CAC districts, as well as one handler member seat and one handler alternate seat. Below are the declared candidates in the 2021 General Election:

District 1

Michael Perricone – Alternate Seat Preferred
Ryan Rochefort – Member Seat Preferred

District 2

Charley Wolk – Member Seat Preferred
Ohannes (Onnig) Z. Karaoghlanian – Member Seat Preferred

District 3

Robert Grether – Member Seat Preferred
Maureen Cottingham – Alternate Seat Preferred

District 4

Jason Cole – Member Seat Preferred

District 5

Daryn Miller – Member Seat Preferred

Handler

Connor Huser – Member Seat Preferred
Peter Shore – Member Seat Preferred

Please note that the 2021 General Election ballots continue using the ranked voting method, where voters rank candidates in order of their preference (1st choice, 2nd choice, etc.). The candidate receiving the highest number of first choice votes will be offered their choice of available seats. The candidate receiving the highest combined total of first and second choice votes will be offered the second available seat. The CDEA will announce the election results to the CAC Board and seat new board members on November 18.

VOTE (NO MORE THAN 3)			DISTRICT 1 CANDIDATES ONE MEMBER AND ONE ALTERNATE SEAT ARE AVAILABLE	BOARD SEAT PREFERENCE MEMBER, ALTERNATE, OR NO PREFERENCE
1 ST CHOICE	2 ND CHOICE	3 RD CHOICE		
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	John Smith	Member Seat Preferred
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Jane Clark	Alternate Seat Preferred
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Write-in (Optional) <i>must include write-in name / phone number / email address</i>	

Example of election ballot with ranked voting method

If you are a commercial producer and did not receive a ballot, please contact April Aymami at the Commission at aaymami@avocado.org or 949.341.1955. 📞