Notice of Public Hearing

STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

The Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development Director has received a request to consider amendments to the Corn Marketing Program of Michigan to assess seed corn; assess an additional ½ cent ($0.005) per bushel of Michigan corn sold for the purpose of raising funds to be used by CMPM to increase the number of flex fuel & E-85 pumps for consumers, to educate consumers on genetically modified organisms (GMO’s), and to promote and facilitate exports. Additional amendments include revision to the nominations process and grammatical updates. All proposed amendments will be considered at a public hearing. This request was made pursuant to the Agriculture Commodities Marketing Act 1965 PA 232 and two public hearings have been set to receive comments on the proposed program changes.

The hearings are scheduled as follows:

January 5, 2016 beginning at 2:00 p.m. at the Sanilac Career Center, 175 E Aitken Rd, Peck, MI 48466;

and

January 8, 2016 beginning at 10:00 a.m. at GreenMark Equipment, 16700 Heimbach Road, Three Rivers, MI 49093.

Interested individuals who cannot attend one of the hearings may submit written testimony until 5:00 p.m., Friday, January 8, 2016. Send written comments to Bradley Deacon, Hearings Officer, Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development, P.O. Box 30017, Lansing, MI 48909; e-mail at merrilld@michigan.gov or fax to 517-335-1423.

A copy of the current program and proposed amendments can be viewed and downloaded from the internet at www.michigan.gov/mdard. Copies may also be obtained by contacting:

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Persons needing accommodations for effective participation in the meeting should contact Deb Merrill at (517) 284-5730, a week in advance to request mobility, visual, hearing, or other assistance.

Date: December 13, 2015

Jamie Clover Adams, Director