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Notice of Public Hearing

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The Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development will conduct two public hearings regarding the establishment of a Michigan Tree Fruit Research and Development Program. Petitions from Michigan tree fruit producers were submitted to the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development requesting establishment of a Michigan Tree Fruit Research and Development Program and pursuant to the Agriculture Commodities Marketing Act (1965 PA 232), two public hearings have been set to receive comments on the proposed program.

The first hearing will be held on Monday, November 25, 2013 beginning at 9:00 a.m. at the Alpine Township Community Room, located at 2015 7 Mile Road, Comstock Park, Michigan 49321.

The second hearing will be held on Tuesday, November 26, 2013 beginning at 1:00 p.m. at the Northwest Horticulture Research Station, 6686 S. Center Highway, Traverse City, MI 49684.

Interested individuals who cannot attend one of the hearings may submit written testimony until 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 18, 2013. 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 proposed program can be viewed and downloaded from the internet at www.michigan.gov/mdard. Copies of the proposed program 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: November 5, 2013

Jamie Clover Adams, Director