



DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Marketing Service

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Rescheduled Meeting of the National Organic Standards Board

AGENCY: Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, the Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS), USDA, is announcing a rescheduled meeting of the National Organic Standards Board (NOSB). The NOSB assists USDA in the development of standards for substances to be used in organic production and advises the Secretary of Agriculture on any other aspects of the implementation of the Organic Foods Production Act (OFPA).

DATES: A virtual meeting will be held January 13-14, 2026, from 11:00 a.m. to approximately 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time (ET) each day. The deadline to submit written comments is [INSERT DATE 15 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE *FEDERAL REGISTER*].

ADDRESSES: The meeting is virtual and will be accessed via the internet and/or phone. Access information will be available on the AMS website prior to the meeting. Detailed information can be found at <https://www.ams.usda.gov/event/national-organic-standards-board-nosb-meeting-fall-2025>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Michelle Arsenault, Advisory Committee Specialist, National Organic Standards Board, USDA-AMS-NOP, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Room 2642-S, STOP 0268, Washington, DC 20250-0268; phone: (202) 997-0115; email: nosb@usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. 10, and 7 U.S.C. 6518(e), as amended, AMS is announcing a rescheduled meeting of the NOSB. This meeting replaces the NOSB meeting scheduled for November 4 – 6, 2025, which was cancelled. The NOSB makes recommendations to USDA about whether substances should be allowed or prohibited in organic production and/or handling, assists in the development of standards for organic production, and advises the Secretary on other aspects of the implementation of the Organic Foods Production Act, 7 U.S.C. 6501, *et seq.* NOSB is holding a public meeting to discuss and vote on proposed recommendations to USDA, to obtain updates from the NOP on issues pertaining to organic agriculture, and to receive comments from the organic community. All meeting documents and instructions for participating will be available on the AMS website at <https://www.ams.usda.gov/event/national-organic-standards-board-nosb-meeting-fall-2025>. Please check the website periodically for updates. Meeting topics will encompass a wide range of issues, including substances petitioned for addition to, or removal from, the National List of Allowed and Prohibited Substances (National List), substances on the National List that are under sunset review, and guidance on organic policies.

Written Comments: Written public comments will be accepted until [INSERT DATE 15 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE *FEDERAL REGISTER*], via <https://www.regulations.gov> (Doc. No. AMS-NOP-25-0034). Comments submitted after this date will be added to the public comment docket, but Board members may not have adequate time to consider those comments prior to making recommendations. NOP strongly prefers comments to be submitted electronically. However, written comments may also be submitted (i.e., postmarked) via mail, by or before [INSERT DATE 15 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE *FEDERAL REGISTER*], to the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

Meeting Accommodations: USDA provides reasonable accommodation to individuals with disabilities where appropriate. If you require reasonable accommodation, please make requests in advance for sign language interpretation, assistive listening devices, or other reasonable accommodation to the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**. Determinations for reasonable accommodation will be made on a case-by-case basis.

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Dated: December 10, 2025.

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USDA Committee Management Officer.

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