



## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. APHIS-2026-0101]

General Conference Committee of the National Poultry Improvement Plan; Solicitation for Membership

**AGENCY:** Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of solicitation for membership.

**SUMMARY:** We are giving notice that the Secretary of Agriculture is soliciting nominations for the election of regional members and their alternates for the General Conference Committee of the National Poultry Improvement Plan.

**DATES:** Consideration will be given to nominations received on or before June 30, 2026.

**ADDRESSES:** Please submit completed nomination forms to the person listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Savannah Busby, Acting Senior Coordinator, National Poultry Improvement Plan, VS, APHIS, USDA, 1506 Klondike Road, Suite 301, Conyers, GA 30094; phone: (770) 922-3496; email: [savannah.busby@usda.gov](mailto:savannah.busby@usda.gov).

### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

The General Conference Committee (the Committee) of the National Poultry Improvement Plan (NPIP) is the Secretary's Advisory Committee on poultry health. The Committee serves as a forum for the study of matters relating to poultry health and, as necessary, makes specific recommendations to the Secretary concerning ways the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) may assist the industry in addressing these matters. The Committee assists the Department in planning, organizing, and conducting the Biennial Conference of the NPIP. The Committee recommends whether new proposals should be considered by the delegates to the

Biennial Conference and serves as a direct liaison between the NPIP and the United States Animal Health Association.

The Committee consists of an elected member-at-large who is an NPIP participant and an elected member (and alternate) from each of the six U.S. regions represented on the Committee. Terms will expire for three current regional members in August 2026. We are soliciting nominations from interested organizations and individuals to replace the members and alternates from the South Atlantic (Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Maryland, North Carolina, Puerto Rico, South Carolina, Virginia, and West Virginia), West North Central (Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, and South Dakota), and South Central (Alabama, Arkansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Oklahoma, Tennessee, and Texas).

Member selection is determined by a majority vote of the NPIP delegates from the respective regions. There must be at least two nominees for each position. Persons interested in serving on the Committee or nominating another individual to serve must submit a nomination with information and a complete Form AD-755, which is available on the internet at <https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/ad-755-advisory-committee-commodity-board-background-information.pdf> or may be obtained by contacting the person listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

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