

# Notices

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Agricultural Marketing Service

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#### United States Grain Standards Act Award of Designations

**AGENCY:** Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) is announcing designation awards of the North Dakota Grain Inspection Service, Inc. (North Dakota); Omaha Grain Inspection Service (Omaha); Fremont Grain Inspection Department, Inc. (Fremont); Champaign-Danville Grain Inspection Departments, Inc. (Champaign); Maryland Department of Agriculture (Maryland); Enid Grain Inspection Company, Inc. (Enid); Eastern Iowa Grain Inspection and Weighing Service, Inc. (Eastern Iowa), to provide official services under the United States Grain Standards Act (USGSA), as amended.

**DATES:** Applicable as reflected in the table below.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In the January 10, 2025, **Federal Register** (90 FR 1937), AMS requested applications and public comment for designation to provide official services in the geographic area presently serviced by North Dakota.

In the August 20, 2025, **Federal Register** (90 FR 40556), AMS requested applications and public comment for designation to provide official services in the geographic areas presently serviced by Champaign-Danville, Eastern Iowa, Enid, Fremont, Maryland and Omaha. AMS evaluated the designation criteria in section 7(f) of the USGSA (7 U.S.C. 79(f)) and determined, based on its designation reviews, that the following agencies are qualified to provide official services in the specific geographic area and timeframes noted below:

| Official agency                                             | Area awarded | Designation award area descriptions | Designation start | Designation end |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| North Dakota Grain Inspection Service, Inc ...              | Area 12      | 90 FR 1937 (January 10, 2025) ..... | 01/01/2026        | 12/31/2030      |
| Champaign-Danville Grain Inspection Depart-<br>ments, Inc.  | Area 11      | 90 FR 40556 (August 20, 2025) ..... | 04/01/2026        | 03/31/2031      |
| Eastern Iowa Grain Inspection and Weighing<br>Service, Inc. | Area 15      | 90 FR 40556 (August 20, 2025) ..... | 04/01/2026        | 03/31/2031      |
| Enid Grain Inspection Company, Inc .....                    | Area 37      | 90 FR 40556 (August 20, 2025) ..... | 04/01/2026        | 03/31/2031      |
| Fremont Grain Inspection Department, Inc ....               | Area 21      | 90 FR 40556 (August 20, 2025) ..... | 07/01/2026        | 06/30/2031      |
| Maryland Department of Agriculture .....                    | Area 25      | 90 FR 40556 (August 20, 2025) ..... | 07/01/2026        | 06/30/2029      |
| Omaha Grain Inspection Service, Inc .....                   | Area 23      | 90 FR 40556 (August 20, 2025) ..... | 04/01/2026        | 03/31/2030      |

Section 7(f) of the USGSA authorizes the Secretary to designate a qualified applicant to provide official services in a specified area after determining that the applicant is better able than any other applicant to provide such official services (7 U.S.C. 79(f)). A designated agency may provide official inspection services and/or Class X or Class Y weighing services at locations other than port locations. Under section 7(g) of the USGSA, designations of official agencies are effective for no longer than five years, unless terminated by the Secretary, and may be renewed according to the criteria and procedures prescribed in section 7(f) of the USGSA. See also 7 CFR 800.196 for further information and guidance. If you would like to view the applications for these areas, please contact [FGISQACD@usda.gov](mailto:FGISQACD@usda.gov).

Please note that sampling, weighing, and inspection services may be offered by designated agencies under the

Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 for other commodities under the auspices of FGIS through separate cooperative agreements with AMS. The service area for such cooperative agreements mirrors the USGSA designation area. For further information, see 7 U.S.C. 1621 *et seq.* or contact [FGISQACD@usda.gov](mailto:FGISQACD@usda.gov).

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### U.S. Codex Office

#### Codex Alimentarius Commission: Meeting of the Codex Committee on Food Hygiene

**AGENCY:** U.S. Codex Office, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S Codex Office is sponsoring a public meeting on October 29, 2026. The objective of the public meeting is to provide information and receive public comments on agenda items to be discussed at the 56th Session of the Codex Committee on Food Hygiene (CCFH) of the Codex Alimentarius Commission (CAC). CCFH56 will be held in Scottsdale, Arizona, from November 16-20, 2026. The U.S. Executive Director for Codex Alimentarius and the Under Secretary for Trade and Foreign Agricultural Affairs recognize the importance of providing interested parties the opportunity to obtain background information on the 56th Session of the CCFH and to address items on the agenda.