

July 14, 2021

The Honorable Debbie Stabenow
Chairwoman
Senate Agriculture, Nutrition, &
Forestry Committee
U.S. Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable John Boozman
Ranking Member
Senate Agriculture, Nutrition, &
Forestry Committee
U.S. Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairwoman Stabenow and Ranking Member Boozman:

We, the undersigned organizations, representing a broad and diverse group of the agriculture industry are pleased to support the consideration for Jenny Lester Moffitt, who currently serves as Undersecretary of the California Department of Food and Agriculture, to serve as Undersecretary for Marketing and Regulatory Programs at the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

We greatly appreciate your efforts to directly engage our organizations, and our members as you work to develop policies that will have direct impact on our food and agriculture supply chain, and our consumers. This engagement has been vital to ensuring that the policies the administration pursues reflects the needs of our collective industries.

As you continue your efforts to work to engage our industry on challenges our food supply chain faces, it will be important to have a voice like Undersecretary Moffitt who knows the vast array of issues our members deal with on a daily basis. Her leadership at the California state level and ability to address a wide variety of challenges while engaging stakeholders, is exactly the approach and leadership our industry needs in the Marketing and Regulatory Program space. Through her expertise on issues related to pest management, both from her personal and professional experience and her experience with dealing with issues related to COVID-19, water quality or farmworker housing and safety, Mrs. Moffitt has a proven record of always bringing affected parties together to find a solution.

Given her experience and expertise, Jenny Lester Moffitt is the best choice to deal with the immense challenges the agricultural industry faces in the years ahead. We strongly recommend her for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Agricultural Council of California
Agricultural Retailers Association
Almond Alliance of California
AMCOT
American Farm Bureau Federation
American Mushroom Institute
American Pistachio Growers
American Seed Trade Association
American Soybean Association
AmericanHort
Association of California Egg Farmers
Biotechnology Innovation Organization
Blue Diamond Growers

California Agriculture Export Council
California Agricultural Irrigation Association
California Alfalfa and Forage Association
California Apple Commission
California Association of Wheat Growers
California Association of Winegrape Growers
California Bean Shippers Association
California Blueberry Commission
California Canning Peach Association
California Cattlemen's Association
California Citrus Mutual
California Farm Bureau Federation
California Farmland Trust
California Fig Advisory Board
California Fresh Fig Growers Association
California Fresh Fruit Association
California Grain and Feed Association
California League of Food Producers
California Pork Producers Association
California Poultry Federation/Northwest Chicken Council
California Seed Association
California State Beekeepers Association
California State Floral Association
California Strawberry Commission
California Sweet Potato Council
California Table Grape Commission
California Warehouse Association
Center for Land-Based Learning
Corn Refiners Association
Cotton Grower Warehouse Association
CropLife America
Dairy Institute of California
Florida Citrus Mutual
Florida Fruit and Vegetable Association
Florida Tomato Exchange
Georgia Fruit and Vegetables Growers Association
Grower-Shipper Association of Central California
Idaho Potato Commission
International Dairy Foods Association
Iron Horse Vineyards
Milk Producers Council
National Association of Perishable Agricultural Receivers
National Association of State Departments of Agriculture
National Association of Wheat Growers
National Cotton Council
National Council of Farmer Cooperatives
National Grain and Feed Association

National Milk Producers Federation
National Onion Association
National Peach Council
National Pork Producers Council
National Sorghum Producers
National Turkey Federation
National Watermelon Association
New York Apple Association
New York State Vegetable Growers
North American Blueberry Council
North American Strawberry Growers Association
Northwest Horticultural Council
Ohio Apple Marketing Program
Olive Growers Council of California
Organic Trade Association
Pacific Egg & Poultry Council
Pesticide Applicators Professional Association
Plant California Alliance
Potato Growers of Michigan
Produce Marketing Association
Rural & Agriculture Council of America
Society of American Florist
Sunkist Growers, Inc.
Texas Citrus Mutual
Texas International Produce Association
U.S. Apple Association
United Fresh Produce Association
US Cattlemen's Association
US Sweet Potato Council
USA Rice
Western Growers