



RULE-MAKING ORDER
(RCW 34.05.360)

Mem. Order # 5079

CR-103 (7/23/95)

Agency:
Washington State Department of Agriculture

- Permanent Rule**
- Emergency Rule**
- Expedited Repeal**

(1) Date of adoption: August 23, 1995

(2) Purpose: The rule will allow the Dry Pea & Lentil Commission to conduct nominations by mail petition as an alternative to the nomination meetings, when approved by the Director.

(3) Citation of existing rules affected by this order:

Repealed:

Amended: WAC 16-536-020, Dry Pea & Lentil Board (5) Nomination and Election

Suspended: of Board Members

(4) Statutory authority for adoption:

Other authority: RCW 15.65.050

PERMANENT RULE ONLY

Adopted under notice filed as WSR 95-12-089 on June 7, 1995 (date).
Describe any changes other than editing from proposed to adopted version:

None

EMERGENCY RULE ONLY

Under RCW 34.05.350 the agency for good cause finds:

- (a) That immediate adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule is necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, or general welfare, and that observing the time requirements of notice and opportunity to comment upon adoption of a permanent rule would be contrary to the public interest.
- (b) That state or federal law or federal rule or a federal deadline for state receipt of federal funds requires immediate adoption of a rule.

Reasons for this finding:

EXPEDITED REPEAL ONLY

Under Preproposal Statement of Inquiry filed as WSR _____ on _____ (date).

(5.3) Any other findings required by other provisions of law as precondition to adoption of effectiveness of rule?

- Yes
 - No
- If Yes, explain:

(6) Effective date of rule:

- | | |
|--|--|
| Permanent Rules | Emergency Rules |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 31 days after filing | <input type="checkbox"/> Immediately |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____* | <input type="checkbox"/> Later (specify) _____ |

*(If less than 31 days after filing, specific finding in 5.3 under RCW 34.05.380(3) is required)

NAME (TYPE OR PRINT)

Jim Jesernig

SIGNATURE

TITLE

Director

DATE

August 23, 1995

CODE REVISER USE ONLY

CODE REVISER USE ONLY
STATE OF WASHINGTON
FILE

7/28/95

TIME: 11:04
WSR 95-12-089

**Note: If any category is left blank, it will be calculated as zero.
No descriptive text.**

Count by whole WAC sections only, from the WAC number through the history note.
A section may be counted in more than one category.

The number of sections adopted in order to comply with: None

Federal statute:	New _____	Amended _____	Repealed _____
Federal rules or standards:	New _____	Amended _____	Repealed _____
Recently enacted* state statutes:	New _____	Amended _____	Repealed _____

*(current calendar year)

The number of sections adopted at the request of a nongovernmental entity:

New _____ Amended 1 Repealed _____

The number of sections adopted on the agency's own initiative: None

New _____ Amended _____ Repealed _____

The number of sections adopted in order to clarify, streamline, or reform agency procedures:

New _____ Amended 1 Repealed _____

The number of sections adopted using:

Negotiated rule making:	New _____	Amended _____	Repealed _____
Pilot rule making:	New _____	Amended _____	Repealed _____
Other alternative rule making:	New _____	Amended <u>1</u>	Repealed _____

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending Order 1768, filed 7/13/82)

WAC 16-536-020 The dry pea and lentil board. (1)

Administration. The provisions of this order and the applicable provisions of the act shall be administered and enforced by the board as the designee of the director.

(2) **Board membership.**

(a) The board shall consist of ten members. Eight members shall be affected producers elected as provided in this article. One member shall be an affected handler elected as provided in this article. The director shall appoint one member of the board who is neither an affected producer nor an affected handler to represent the department and the public.

(b) For the purpose of nomination and election of producer members of the board, the affected area of the state of Washington shall be divided into four representative districts as follows:

(i) District I shall have three board members, being positions 1, 2 and 3 and shall include the county of Whitman.

(ii) District II shall have two board members, being positions 4 and 5 and shall include the county of Spokane.

(iii) District III shall have one board member being position 6 and shall include the counties of Walla Walla, Garfield, Columbia and Asotin.

(iv) District IV shall have two board members, being positions 7 and 8 shall include all other counties of the state of Washington located east of the summit of the Cascade Mountains: *Provided*, That the addition of another member, being position 8, shall not become effective until approved by a referendum vote of the affected commercial wrinkled pea seed producers.

(3) **Board membership qualifications.**

(a) The affected producer members of the board shall be practical producers of dry peas and/or lentils in the district in and for which they are nominated and elected and shall be citizens and residents of the state of Washington, over the age of twenty-five years, each of whom is and has been actually engaged in producing dry peas and/or lentils within the state of Washington for a period of five years and has during that time derived a substantial portion of his income therefrom and who is not engaged in business, directly or indirectly, as a handler or other dealer.

(b) The affected handler member of the board shall be a practical handler of dry peas and/or lentils and shall be a citizen and resident of the state of Washington, over the age of twenty-five years and who is and has been, either individually or as an officer or an employee of a corporation, firm, partnership association or cooperative actually engaged in handling dry peas and/or lentils within the state of Washington for a period of five years and has during that period derived a substantial portion of his income therefrom.

(c) The qualifications of members of the board must continue during their term of office.

(4) **Term of office.**

(a) The term of office for members of the board shall be three years, and one-third of the membership as nearly as possible shall be elected each year.

(b) Membership positions on the board shall be designated numerically; affected producers shall have positions one through seven, the affected handler shall have position eight and the member appointed by the director position nine.

(c) The term of office for the initial board members shall be as follows:

Positions one, two and three - one year

Positions four, five and six - two years

Positions seven, eight, nine, and ten - three years

No elected member of the board may serve more than two full consecutive three-year terms.

(5) Nomination and election of board members.

(a) For the purpose of nominating candidates for election to board membership the director shall call separate meetings of affected producers and affected handlers.

(b) Each year the director shall call for nomination meetings in those districts whose board members term is about to expire. Such meetings shall be held at least thirty days in advance of the date set by the director for the election of board members. Notice of every such meeting shall be published in newspapers of general circulation within the affected district not less than ten days in advance of the date of such meeting and in addition, written notice of every such meeting shall be given to all affected producers within such affected district and handlers according to the list maintained by the director pursuant to RCW 15.65.200 of the act. Nonreceipt of notice by any interested person shall not invalidate the proceedings at such nomination meeting. Any qualified affected producer or handler may be nominated orally for membership on the board at such nomination meetings. Nominations may also be made within five days after any such meeting by written petition filed with the director signed by not less than five affected producers or affected handlers.

If the board moves and the director approves that the nomination meeting procedure be deleted, the director shall give notice of the vacancy by mail to all affected producers and handlers. Nominating petitions for producers and handlers shall be signed by not less than five affected producers and handlers. Final date for filing nominations shall be not less than twenty days after the notice was mailed.

(6) Election of board members.

(a) Members of the board shall be elected by secret mail ballot within the month of May under the supervision of the director. Affected producer members of the board shall be elected by a majority of the votes cast by the affected producers within the affected district. Each affected producer shall be entitled to one vote. The affected handler member of the board shall be elected by a majority of votes cast by the affected handlers. Each affected handler shall be entitled to one vote.

(b) If a nominee does not receive a majority of the votes on the first ballot a runoff election shall be held by mail in a similar manner between the two candidates for such position receiving the largest number of votes.

(c) Notice of every election for board membership shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation within the affected

district not less than ten days in advance of the date of such election. Not less than ten days prior to every election for board membership, the director shall mail a ballot of the candidates to each affected producer and affected handler entitled to vote whose name appears upon the list of such affected producers and affected handlers maintained by the director in accordance with RCW 15.65.200. Any other affected producer or affected handler entitled to vote may obtain a ballot by application to the director upon establishing his qualifications. Nonreceipt of a ballot by an affected producer or affected handler shall not invalidate the election of any board member.

(7) **Vacancies prior to election.** In the event of a vacancy on the board, the remaining members shall select a qualified person to fill the unexpired term.

(8) **Quorum.** A majority of the members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of all business and the carrying out of all duties of the board.

(9) **Board compensation.** No member of the board shall receive any salary or other compensation, but each member shall receive ten dollars for each day in actual attendance on or traveling to and from meetings of the board or on special assignment for the board, together with subsistence and traveling expense at the rate allowed by law to state employees: *Provided*, That the method of determining whether per diem rates or actual subsistence and lodging shall be allowed shall be determined by resolution or rule of the board in advance of the incurrence of such expenses by a board member.

(10) **Powers and duties of the board.** The board shall have the following powers and duties:

(a) To administer, enforce and control the provisions of this order as the designee of the director.

(b) To elect a chairman and such other officers as the board deems advisable.

(c) To employ and discharge at its discretion such personnel, including attorneys engaged in the private practice of law subject to the approval and supervision of the attorney general, as the board determines are necessary and proper to carry out the purpose of the order and effectuate the declared policies of the act.

(d) To pay only from moneys collected as assessments or advances thereon the costs arising in connection with the formulation, issuance, administration and enforcement of the order. Such expenses and costs may be paid by check, draft or voucher in such form and in such manner and upon the signature of the person as the board may prescribe.

(e) To reimburse any applicant who has deposited money with the director in order to defray the costs of formulating the order: *Provided*, That the total reimbursement to all applicants shall not exceed two thousand dollars.

(f) To establish a "dry pea and lentil board marketing revolving fund" and such fund to be deposited in a bank or banks or financial institution or institutions, approved for the deposit of state funds, in which all money received by the board, except as the amount of petty cash for each day's needs, not to exceed one hundred dollars, shall be deposited each day or as often during the day as advisable.

(g) To keep or cause to be kept in accordance with accepted standards of good accounting practice, accurate records of all

assessments, collections, receipts, deposits, withdrawals, disbursements, paid outs, moneys and other financial transactions made and done pursuant to this order. Such records, books and accounts shall be audited at least annually subject to procedures and methods lawfully prescribed by the state auditor. Such books and accounts shall be closed as of the last day of each fiscal year of the state of Washington. A copy of such audit shall be delivered within thirty days after the completion thereof to the governor, the director, the state auditor and the board.

(h) To require a bond of all board members and employees of the board in a position of trust in the amount the board shall deem necessary. The premium for such bond or bonds shall be paid by the board from assessments collected. Such bond shall not be necessary if any such board member or employee is covered by any blanket bond covering officials or employees of the state of Washington.

(i) To prepare a budget or budgets covering anticipated income and expenses to be incurred in carrying out the provisions of the order during each fiscal year.

(j) To establish by resolution, a headquarters which shall continue as such unless and until so changed by the board. All records, books and minutes of board meetings shall be kept at such headquarters.

(k) To adopt rules and regulations of a technical or administrative nature, subject to the provisions of chapter ((34.04)) 34.05 RCW (Administrative Procedure Act).

(l) To carry out the provisions of RCW 15.65.510 covering the obtaining of information necessary to effectuate the provisions of the order and the act, along with the necessary authority and procedure for obtaining such information.

(m) To bring actions or proceedings upon joining the director as a party for specific performance, restraint, injunction or mandatory injunction against any person who violates or refuses to perform the obligations or duties imposed upon him by the act or order.

(n) To confer with and cooperate with the legally constituted authorities of other states and of the United States for the purpose of obtaining uniformity in the administration of federal and state marketing regulations, licenses, agreements or orders.

(o) To carry out any other grant of authority or duty provided designees and not specifically set forth in this section.

(11) Procedures for board.

(a) The board shall hold regular meetings, at least quarterly, with the time and date thereof to be fixed by resolution of the board.

(b) The board shall hold an annual meeting, at which time an annual report will be presented. The proposed budget shall be presented for discussion at the meeting. Notice of the annual meeting shall be given by the board at least ten days prior to the meeting through regular wire news services and radio-television press.

(c) The board shall establish by resolution, the time, place and manner of calling special meetings with reasonable notice to the members: *Provided*, That the notice of any special meeting may be waived by a waiver thereof by each member of the board.