



CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF
FOOD & AGRICULTURE

Karen Ross, Secretary

April 11, 2014

STZ-14-001

**TO: COUNTY AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONERS
CALIFORNIA CITRUS INDUSTRY MEMBERS**

Re: Oranges – Date A

A survey of oranges damaged by freezing temperatures in Central California shows progress of drying.

In accordance with Title 3, California Code of Regulations (CCR) §1430.42, the Secretary of the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) hereby establishes Date A throughout the State of California. Date A shall be established at 12:01 a.m. on Monday, April 14, 2014. Furthermore, Title 3, CCR Section §1430.40 mandates that Date B shall not be more than three weeks after Date A. Unless a subsequent declaration is issued, Date B will be established at 12:01 a.m. on Monday, May 5, 2014.

During the period between Date A and Date B, either the segment or transverse cut method of inspection may be used. The type of cut that is used on each lot must be determined prior to performing an official sample and shall be based on whichever cut reveals the most damage. After Date B, all varieties of oranges produced in California shall be examined for freeze damage by using the transverse cut.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at the number provided.

Sincerely,

Steve Patton
Branch Chief

cc: Gary Leslie, County Liaison, CDFA
Shipping Point Inspection District Offices

