CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF
FOOD & AGRICULTURE
Karen Ross, Secretary

June 2, 2026

To: **All Milk Producers in State Established Milk Inspection Areas**

Subject: **Change in State Dairy Farm Inspection Fees**

In order to maintain required dairy farm inspection and sampling activities, the Department is increasing quarterly inspection fees for dairy farms in State Established Inspection Areas by $0.005 per hundredweight (cwt) according to the maximum volume and rate specified below.

Effective July 1, 2026, the inspection fee for both market milk and manufacturing milk dairy farms will increase 3.1% to the following new amount:

Seventeen cents ($0.17) per hundredweight (cwt) of the first four hundred eighty-two thousand (482,000) pounds (lbs) of milk produced during each quarter-year period (maximum $819.95 per quarter) or a minimum of $250 per quarter, whichever is greater.

The new rate equates to a maximum increase of an additional $24.66 per quarter, or approximately $8.22 per month, for a dairy farm producing 482,000 lbs. or more of milk each quarter-year period.

Fees collected at the new rate during the quarter-year period of July 1 to September 30, 2026, will be due and payable October 1, 2026.

Questions regarding fee collection procedures may be directed to me at (916) 900-5008 or to one of our Regional Offices using the contact information below:

North Coast Regional Office:	Phone - (916) 900-5081, Email - cdfa.ahfss_mdfsb_north_coast@cdfa.ca.gov
North Valley Regional Office:	Phone - (209) 466-7186, Email - cdfa.ahfss_mdfsb_north_valley@cdfa.ca.gov
Central Regional Office:	Phone - (559) 445-5506, Email - cdfa.ahfss_mdfsb_central@cdfa.ca.gov
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Sincerely,

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