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Crush District #11, Local Commission

**2023-2024 MARKETING SEASON
PRODUCER ASSESSMENT PAYMENT FORMS**

**LODI WINEGRAPE COMMISSION
Crush District #11, Local Commission**

**Monthly Producer Assessment Report
General Instructions**

California Food and Agriculture code requires that all vintners withhold an assessment on all Crush District #11 winegrapes acquired from producers and remit the assessment to the Lodi Winegrape Commission.

Assessment Rate: For the marketing season beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2024 the assessment rate shall be 0.45% (45 cents per hundred dollars) of the gross dollar value of winegrapes grown in and acquired from Crush District #11.

Collection of Grower Assessment: The vintner is required to deduct the assessment for the 2023-2024 marketing season from payments made to producers of Crush District #11 winegrapes, remit the assessment during the following month directly to the Commission, and file assessment reports documenting the amount remitted. The vintner is required to deduct the producer assessment from payments made to producers regardless of how many tons of winegrapes the producer is believed to have grown. If a producer supplies the vintner with a Commission-generated Certificate of Exemption, a deduction is not required. Producers may apply to the Commission for a certificate of exemption or a refund if they believe they are exempt from assessment.

Due Dates and Remittance Advice: Producer assessment payments are due and payable on the last day of the month following the month in which payments are made by vintners to producers and remitted to:

**Lodi Winegrape Commission
c/o Farmers & Merchants Bank
P.O. Box 3000
Lodi, CA 95241**

For the 2023-2024 marketing season the payment schedule shall be as follows:

Producer payments for the months of:	Assessment payments are due by:
July and August*	September 30, 2023
September *	October 31, 2023
October*	November 30, 2023
November *	December 31, 2023
December*	January 31, 2024
January*	February 28, 2024
February*	March 31, 2024
March*	April 30, 2024

*Assessment form must be returned with required information.

Special note regarding assessment due dates: In the event a vintner has not paid for its Crush District #11 winegrapes acquired from producers by March 31, 2024, it must compute the total remaining payments due the producer, calculate the total remaining assessment due on these outstanding payments, and remit the assessment on the March 2024 payment form. The gross dollar value of any unpriced winegrapes must be calculated by using the weighted average grower return per ton for Crush District #11 as it appears in the Final Grape Crush Report.

Penalties: The postmark on the remittance envelope containing the assessment payment and assessment report shall be considered the date of payment regardless of the date entered on the forms. Delinquent assessments will be subject to a 10% penalty plus a 1.5% late fee for each 30 days, or portion thereof, that the delinquent balance is unpaid. Failure of the vintner to collect assessments from a producer shall not exempt the vintner from liability nor relieve the producer of the obligation to pay the assessment.

Assessment Exemption: Any producer seeking an exemption from, or refund of assessments must complete an Assessment Exemption/Refund Request Form, attesting to the facts establishing the producer's right to an exemption and/or refund, and submit the form to the Commission within a two-year period (California Food and Agricultural Code Section 74952.7(g)). A new Assessment Exemption/Refund Request Form shall be submitted every two years or when the facts represented on the previous Form change, whichever is earlier.

Upon receipt of the Assessment Exemption/Refund Request Form, Commission staff shall work to verify eligibility. Once verification is complete, the Commission Executive Director shall review and either authorize or deny the assessment exemption or refund. To request an Assessment Exemption Form, please contact the Lodi Winegrape Commission at 209.367.4727 or info@lodiwine.com.

Custom Crush Activity: California Food and Agriculture code requires producers to pay an assessment on winegrapes grown in Crush District #11 and custom crushed for producers. The Commission will be contacting vintners in November 2023 for the names, addresses of producers, and quantities of Crush District #11 winegrapes custom crushed.

CDFA Audits: Please be aware that CDFA (California Department of Food & Agriculture) will conduct random vintner/winery audits during the upcoming fiscal year. The purpose of these audits is to verify the accuracy of assessment reports and payments to the Commission. The Lodi Winegrape Commission and CDFA both understand the value of your time, and we do not anticipate these audits to be an excessive burden on you or your staff. Should you be selected for an audit, you will be given formal notice with ample time to schedule with CDFA.

Warning: It is a violation of California Food and Agriculture code to fail to furnish or willfully furnish false reports, statements, or records to the Commission, or to fail or refuse to furnish names and addresses of producers from which Crush District #11 winegrapes were received.

Questions or Comments: If you have any questions or comments regarding the assessment rules and regulations or assessment calculation and remittance, please contact the Lodi Winegrape Commission at 209.367.4727 or info@lodiwine.com.

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**PRODUCER ASSESSMENT
2023-2024 MARKETING SEASON**

Month of October
Due November 30, 2023

Winery Name: _____
Address: _____

Gross Dollar Value of Payment Made
for Crush District #11 Winegrapes
During the Month:
Assessment Rate (.45%) X .0045
Assessment Due: _____

PLEASE COMPLETE THE REVERSE SIDE

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***Required Information**

This winery did not purchase any Crush District #11 winegrapes this season.

- or -

Estimate season's purchases of Crush District #11 winegrapes: _____ tons.

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Make remittance payable to: Lodi Winegrape Commission
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I hereby certify that this report is true and correct. I understand that the records used to compile this report are subject to audit by the Lodi Winegrape Commission.

Date

Person Authorized to certify report

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**PRODUCER ASSESSMENT
2023-2024 MARKETING SEASON**

Month of January
Due February 28, 2024

Winery Name: _____
Address: _____

Gross Dollar Value of Payment Made
for Crush District #11 Winegrapes
During the Month: _____
Assessment Rate (.45%) X .0045
Assessment Due: _____

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Month of December
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Winery Name: _____
Address: _____

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CHANGE OF STATUS

TO BE COMPLETED IN THE EVENT OF A CHANGE OF ADDRESS, CHANGE OF NAME OR OWNERSHIP.

Change in:

- Ownership FROM: _____
TO: _____
- Winery Name FROM: _____
TO: _____
- New Address FROM: _____
TO: _____
- Telephone (_____) _____

- Other (please specify) _____
