



Webinar Invitation

The USDA's Good Agricultural Practices (GAPs) Audit Program

An Interactive Discussion

Thursday, March 6, 2014

2:00 – 3:00 p.m. Eastern Time

Please join us for a live, interactive discussion via internet (a webinar), covering the food safety verification program for **USDA's Good Agricultural Practices**. The discussion has been developed exclusively for growers located in USDA StrikeForce areas and will cover the "How To's" of planning, plan implementation, and audit preparation for growers. If you grow, pack, ship, or sell fruits and vegetables, you won't want to miss this unique webinar!

Our formal presentation will run about 30 minutes, with the remaining time devoted to a live and interactive **Question and Answer** session.

Webinar Schedule

Presentation: Ralph Evans; Auditor Training Specialist for the USDA Agricultural Marketing Service Specialty Crops Inspection (SCI) Division, will provide the background and discuss the GAP practices and terminology. Ken Petersen, Head of SCI Division's Audit Programs, will lead the Q&A session.

Question and Answer Session: Additional time will be set aside for questions related to your unique business challenges, such as implementing your own food safety program. Questions may also be submitted in advance to Ralph.Evans@ams.usda.gov and we will do our best to answer those during the webinar.

This webinar, hosted by the USDA Agricultural Marketing Service's (AMS) Fruit and Vegetable Program, is free and available to anyone with Internet access. Space is limited to the first 500 people who sign up, so please register early. **Visit (<http://bit.ly/19ZkBMT>) to register today!**

We will host webinars on more AMS programs and services throughout the year. To view previous webinars online, visit our [Webinar Archive](#).

For additional information about the USDA Agricultural Marketing Service, Specialty Crops Inspection Division, click on this link: [USDA Specialty Crops Inspection Division](#).

If you have any questions about the webinars or AMS, please contact Christopher Purdy at (202) 720-3209 or christopher.purdy@ams.usda.gov.

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