**Trans-Pacific Partnership**

**EXPANDS TRADE OPPORTUNITIES FOR CALIFORNIA AGRICULTURE**

The California Farm Bureau Federation supports immediate congressional action on the TPP.The state stands to gain from full ratification of the Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP), a trade agreement among 12 Pacific Rim nations that includes large trading partners Canada, Japan, and Mexico, as well as growing markets like Vietnam and Malaysia.

**INCREASED MARKET ACCESS**

* California farmers and ranchers will have more access to 480 million consumers within the Asia-Pacific region that represents 40% of world GDP.
* Canada receives 47% of California’s agricultural TPP-nation exports, followed by 21% going to Japan, 14% to Mexico, 4% to Australia, and 3% to Vietnam. The others comprise 11% of exports.
* Japan, Vietnam, and Malaysia are valuable markets in which the U.S. does not currently have a free trade deal. Many of the TPP countries already have deals with one another, which makes passage of the TPP agreement more pressing.

**DEMAND FOR CALIFORNIA AGRICULTURE MEANS MORE JOBS**

* The top California agricultural exports include fruits and nuts, vegetables, dairy, and cotton. Each of these commodities stand to gain with lower tariffs in key developing markets.
* The annual value of California agricultural exports is $20.1 billion. We export more agricultural products than any other state.
* California agricultural exports support 1 million jobs. This number will only increase with higher demand for our products.

**BENEFITS BY MAJOR CALIFORNIA COMMODITY**

**TREE NUTS**: Japan, Malaysia, and Vietnam eliminate tariffs on tree nuts. Currently, Vietnam’s tariff is 23%, resulting in greater demand for tree nuts that already ship nearly a billion dollars in exports to TPP nations.

**WINE**: Current tariffs are as high as 50% in Vietnam and 22.5% in Japan, leading to significant openings for U.S. wines to compete with European suppliers at a more even playing field.

**CITRUS FRUIT**: Tariffs will be eliminated in Japan, Malaysia, and Vietnam. Japan is currently the second largest citrus importer after Canada. Malaysia is also an important market that currently imports $24 million in California citrus.

**BEEF**: Japan will eliminate its high tariff of 38.5% which will allow our beef cattle industry to export to that large market.

**OTHER PRODUCTS**: Tariffs eliminated on deciduous fruits such as grapes, melons, apples and pears will expand trade opportunities as economic growth occurs in Vietnam and Malaysia.

**WE URGE CONGRESS TO ACT**

With Trade Promotion Authority (TPA) now in place, the California congressional delegation should support the TPP deal this year as negotiated.