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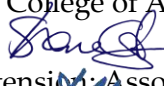

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 20, 2019

TO: ALVSCE Personnel

FROM: Shane C. Burgess, Vice President, Agriculture, Life and Veterinary Sciences, and Cooperative Extension; Charles-Sander Dean of the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences; Director, Arizona Experiment Station 
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SUBJECT: Update on ADA Industrial Hemp Licensing Program

As you may recall, Senate Bill 1098 was signed by Governor Ducey in May of last year. That bill authorized the Arizona Department of Agriculture (“ADA”) to license qualified applicants to grow, harvest, transport, and/or process industrial hemp starting in the summer of this year. Specifically, the state’s program is expected to open up on May 31st.

During the past year, the ADA has been working to establish an industrial hemp licensing program and program rules, and to develop an application and review process, and fee schedule. Because the University of Arizona is likely to be a qualified applicant, we anticipate being able to participate in the state’s industrial hemp program, and as such, are involved in internal discussions regarding the license application process and associated fees. However, until the University has been issued the necessary license(s) from the ADA, we are still unable to initiate any activities that will be regulated by the state’s industrial hemp program (e.g. grow, harvest, transport, process industrial hemp and/or teach how to cultivate and manage hemp production and processing within Extension). I will keep you updated regarding any changes to the University’s status with respect to this program.