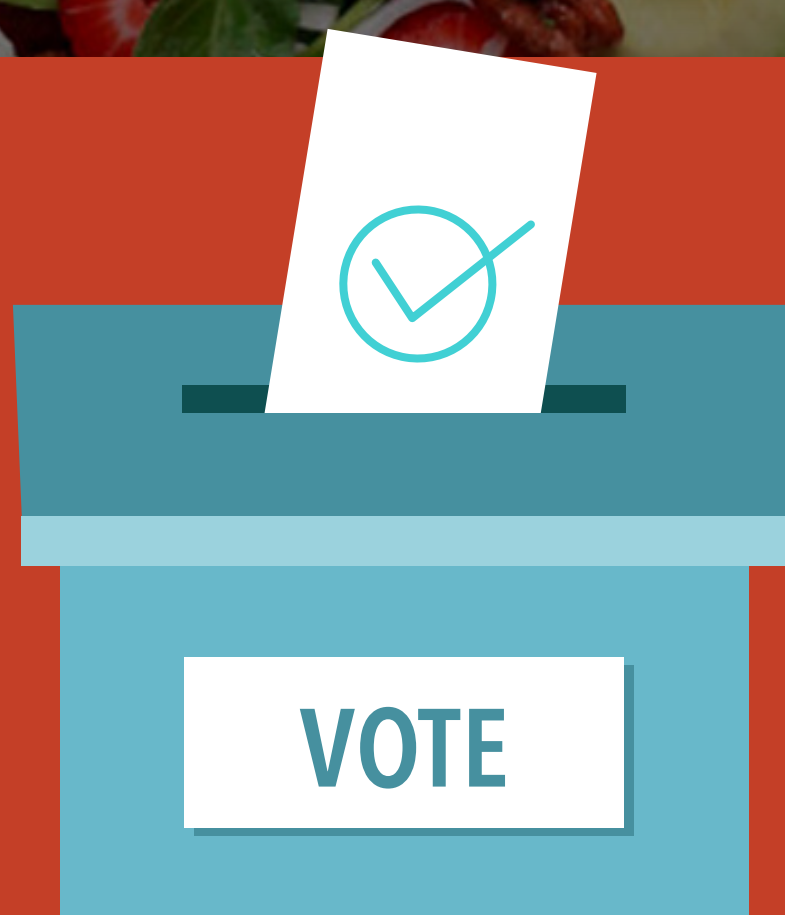


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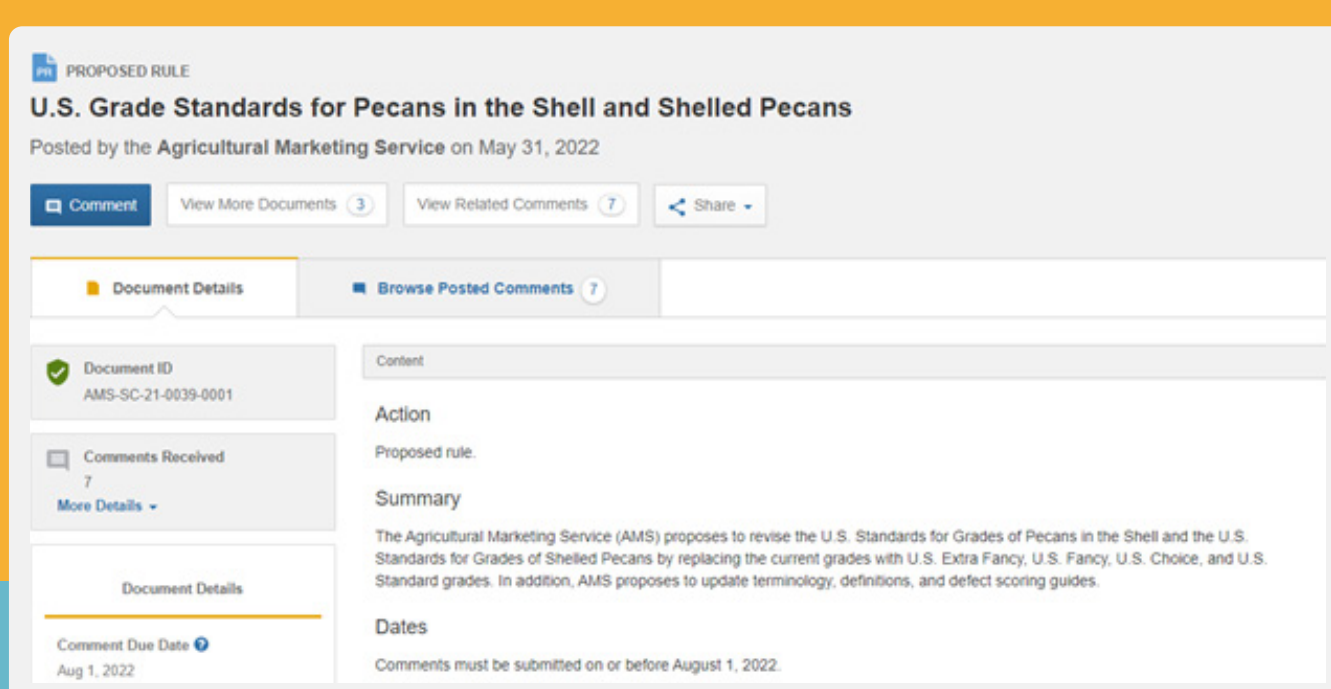
Nominations took place from February 16 – March 31, 2022 for council member and alternate seats. The APC concluded grower and sheller elections for the 2022-2026 council member and alternate slate on June 6. All ballots then went directly to the USDA for verification and counting. Once the results are finalized by the USDA, the APC will send out an announcement to industry.



## REVISED U.S. PECAN INDUSTRY INSHELL AND SHELLED MEATS STANDARDS – OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

The proposed rule to revise the U.S. Grade Standards for Pecans in the Shell and Shelled Pecans was published on June 1, 2022 and is open for public comment through August 1, 2022.

The 60-day comment period is open to interested persons to submit comments on the proposed revised grade standards. Individuals can submit written comments to the USDA, Specialty Crops Inspection Division at 100 Riverside Parkway, Suite 101, Fredericksburg, VA 22406; via fax at (540) 361-1199; or, at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov). Comments should reference the date and page number of this issue of the Federal Register and will be posted without change. All comments received within the comment period will become part of the public record and will be made available via [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).



## APC ON THE ROAD



Over the past few months, the American Pecan staff has been busy traveling across the pecan region – and won't be slowing down anytime soon. After two years of virtual meetings and events, it's a breath of fresh air to meet face-to-face again with hundreds of industry members.

- **In February**, APC representatives met growers in El Paso and at the North Carolina Pecan Growers Association.
- **March and April** held meetings with the Western Pecan Growers Association, Georgia Pecan Growers Association, and the Ag Commodity Round Table.
- **In May**, APC representatives embarked on a tour in Georgia to meet with more than 125 Georgia pecan growers, and rounded it out with stops in Oklahoma and Texas. We also attended Today's Dietitian Spring Symposium in Florida.
- **In June**, we attended the Oklahoma Pecan Growers Association conference and the Tri-State Pecan conference. APC also met with growers in New Mexico.
- **In July**, APC will be attending the Texas Pecan Growers Association meeting, as well as the California Pecan Growers Association meeting. APPB and APC will be hosting their Board/Council meetings at the end of July – find more info on the Industry Events page of APC's website. (As a reminder, all committee and council meetings are open to the public.)

A big thank you to everyone we've been able to visit so far. We look forward to many more reunions in the weeks to come.

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