



CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF  
FOOD & AGRICULTURE

## **NOTICE OF OFFICIAL TRAVEL/STATE BUSINESS**

### **COVID-19 Emergency Response – Critical Industry Sector – Food and Agriculture**

The California Department of Food and Agriculture's role in the state's emergency response to COVID-19 is to protect food safety and ensure the continuity of the food supply. Our employees perform critical activities including food safety inspections, livestock and poultry disease detection and control, and crop pest/disease detection and control, which are necessary functions in support of food safety and the food supply chain. While county/local declarations may be in place requiring citizens to stay at home, work to maintain the food supply chain is considered official travel by employees operating under the authority of the State of California. This work is regarded as critical to support food safety and maintain our food supply during an emergency.