Call for Nominations for Ginseng Board of Wisconsin

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MADISON – The Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) is seeking nominations for members of the Ginseng Board of Wisconsin. The nomination period for the board will be open April 9-25.

The Ginseng Board is composed of seven members. There are currently three open seats up for nominations. The purpose of the Ginseng Board is to spend the assessment funds to support research, marketing, product development and education on behalf of all registered ginseng growers.

The terms of board members Kirk Baumann, Barney Fisher and Joe Heil are ending. All are eligible for nomination again. Other members of the Ginseng Board include: Ron Krautkramer, Paul Monk, Tom Hack and Dave Schumacher.

Elections will be held May 23-June 13. Each board member serves a three-year term.

Wisconsin leads the nation in the production and export of ginseng roots. The state exports 40% of the nation's ginseng roots.

For a nomination form, contact DATCP's Noel Favia at 608-224-5140 or <u>noel.favia@wi.gov</u>. You can also connect with DATCP on Twitter at <u>twitter.com/widatcp</u> or Facebook at <u>facebook.com/widatcp</u>.

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