



H-2A Agricultural Clearance Order
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A. Job Offer Information

1. Job Title * Farmworker, Laborer							
2. Workers Needed *	a. Total 132	b. H-2A Workers 115	Period of Intended Employment				
			3. First Date * 6/3/2024	4. Last Date * 10/28/2024			
5. Will this job generally require the worker to be on-call 24 hours a day and 7 days a week? * If "Yes", proceed to question 8. If "No", complete questions 6 and 7 below.						☐ Yes ☒ No	
6. Anticipated days and hours of work per week (an entry is required for each box below) *						7. Hourly Work Schedule *	
40	a. Total Hours 8	c. Monday 8	e. Wednesday 8	g. Friday	a. 6 : 00	☒ AM	
0	b. Sunday 8	d. Tuesday 8	f. Thursday 0	h. Saturday	b. 2 : 30	☐ AM	☒ PM
Temporary Agricultural Services and Wage Offer Information							
8a. Job Duties - Description of the specific services or labor to be performed. * (Please begin response on this form and use Addendum C if additional space is needed.) Harvesting Broccoli and Cauliflower: Workers will walk behind field pack machine, bend to near ground level and cut broccoli/cauliflower with knife after determining the quality is acceptable. Broccoli/cauliflower is thrown up onto the field pack machine. Workers select heads, check quality, and bunch broccoli with a rubber band using a pneumatic bunching machine, or cut florets from stalk (loose florets only). Also, some broccoli/cauliflower packs require no bunching and are packed directly into cases. Workers stack boxes on pallets. Workers may be required to safely operate tractor powered field pack units and trailers in the field and between fields. (70%) Field Work: Workers will pull or hoe weeds in vegetable fields, pick rocks and throw into carts, carry and connect irrigation pipe, operate tillage, bed shaping, planting and other agricultural equipment and perform any other duties that are associated with field work and vegetable production. (30%)							
8b. Wage Offer *		8c. Per *		8d. Piece Rate Offer \$		8e. Piece Rate Units / Estimated Hourly Rate / Special Pay Information \$	
\$ 17.80		☒ HOUR ☐ MONTH		\$ _____			
9. Is a completed Addendum A providing additional information on the crops or agricultural activities to be performed and wage offers attached to this job offer? *						☒ Yes ☐ N/A	
10. Frequency of Pay: * ☒ Weekly ☐ Biweekly ☐ Other (specify): <u>N/A</u>							
11. State all deduction(s) from pay and, if known, the amount(s). * (Please begin response on this form and use Addendum C if additional space is needed.) Social Security, Federal Tax and State Tax if applicable and as required by law.							

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B. Minimum Job Qualifications/Requirements

1. Education: minimum U.S. diploma/degree required. *			
☒ None ☐ High School/GED ☐ Associate's ☐ Bachelor's ☐ Master's or higher ☐ Other degree (JD, MD, etc.)			
2. Work Experience: number of <u>months</u> required. *		3. Training: number of <u>months</u> required. *	
3		0	
4. Basic Job Requirements (check all that apply) §			
☐ a. Certification/license requirements		☒ f. Exposure to extreme temperatures	
☐ b. Driver requirements		☒ g. Extensive pushing or pulling	
☐ c. Criminal background check		☒ h. Extensive sitting or walking	
☐ d. Drug screen		☒ i. Frequent stooping or bending over	
☒ e. Lifting requirement <u>42</u> lbs.		☒ j. Repetitive movements	
5a. Supervision: does this position supervise the work of other employees? *		☐ Yes ☒ No	5b. If "Yes" to question 5a, enter the number of employees worker will supervise. §
6. Additional Information Regarding Job Qualifications/Requirements. *			
(Please begin response on this form and use Addendum C if additional space is needed. If no additional skills or requirements, enter " NONE " below)			
See Addendum C			

C. Place of Employment Information

1. Place of Employment Address/Location *			
476 W Presque Isle Rd.			
2. City *	3. State *	4. Postal Code *	5. County *
Caribou	Maine	04736	Caribou City
6. Additional Place of Employment Information. (If no additional information, enter " NONE " below) *			
Additional work areas within a 30 mile radius of its primary place of business. It owns or controls thru short or long term leases all of the land utilized in the production of its crops. Due to the size of the operation, all the parcels under production are not contiguous, but are all within the County of Aroostook in Maine and within the municipalities of Caribou, Caswell, Connor, Cyr Plantation, Van Buren, Hamlin and Limestone.			
7. Is a completed Addendum B providing additional information on the places of employment and/or agricultural businesses who will employ workers, or to whom the employer will be providing workers, attached to this job order? *			☒ Yes ☐ N/A

D. Housing Information

1. Housing Address/Location *			
158 Caribou Lake Rd.			
2. City *	3. State *	4. Postal Code *	5. County *
Caribou	Maine	04736	Caribou City
6. Type of Housing (check only one) *		7. Total Units *	8. Total Occupancy *
☒ Employer-provided (including mobile or range) ☐ Rental or public		5	115
9. Identify the entity that determined the housing met all applicable standards: *			
☐ Local authority ☒ SWA ☐ Other State authority ☐ Federal authority ☐ Other (specify): _____			
10. Additional Housing Information. (If no additional information, enter " NONE " below) *			
See Addendum C			
11. Is a completed Addendum B providing additional information on housing that will be provided to workers attached to this job order? *			☐ Yes ☒ N/A

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E. Provision of Meals

1. Describe how the employer will provide each worker with three meals per day or furnish free and convenient cooking and kitchen facilities. *

(Please begin response on this form and use Addendum C if additional space is needed.)

Employer furnishes a free and convenient kitchen equipped with a full size stove, refrigerator, sink, food preparation and storage areas. Workers agree to provide their own cooking and eating utensils, buy their own food and supplies and agree to keep cooking and eating facilities in clean and sanitary condition after each use in compliance with all applicable state and federal regulations. THIS REQUIREMENT IS STRICTLY ENFORCED.

Convenient cooking facilities and transportation to local stores on nonworking days and after work hours is provided at no cost to the worker. The employer is providing facilities free of charge as a benefit to the workers and is in no way involved in the procurement or preparation of meals. Workers who use common areas after normal dining hours or for consumption of take-out food ARE REQUIRED TO CLEANUP AFTER THEMSELVES AND PROPERLY DISPOSE OF ANY GARBAGE. THIS PROVISION WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED.

2. The employer: *

☒ **WILL NOT** charge workers for meals.

☐ **WILL** charge each worker for meals at \$ ____ . ____ per day, if meals are provided.

F. Transportation and Daily Subsistence

1. Describe the terms and arrangements for daily transportation the employer will provide to workers. *

(Please begin response on this form and use Addendum C if additional space is needed.)

See Addendum C

2. Describe the terms and arrangements for providing workers with transportation (a) to the place of employment (i.e., inbound) and (b) from the place of employment (i.e., outbound). *

(Please begin response on this form and use Addendum C if additional space is needed.)

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3. During the travel described in Item 2, the employer will pay for or reimburse daily meals by providing each worker *

a. no less than

\$ 15 . 88

per day *

b. no more than

\$ 59 . 00

per day with receipts

G. Referral and Hiring Instructions

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1. Explain how prospective applicants may be considered for employment under this job order, including verifiable contact information for the employer (or the employer's authorized hiring representative), methods of contact, and the days and hours applicants will be considered for the job opportunity. *

(Please begin response on this form and use Addendum C if additional space is needed.)

All referrals must be thru the State Job Service/order holding office during their respective business hours. ME Job Service is open during regular business hours Monday thru Friday. Applicants should report to the Job Service upon arrival to the area. All applicants must submit to employer a COMPLETELY filled out Employment Application via fax (207)498-8228 or US Mail. No phone calls accepted. All incomplete applications will be returned. After review of completed application, reference and employment status checks, qualified applicants will be contacted via fax, telephone or other means, if requested, for a job interview. Interviews are conducted 30 minutes prior to the start of the regularly scheduled work hours and are conducted in person or by phone if the applicant is not in the local area. Upon successful completion of the job interview, qualified applicants will be offered a job by the employer.

Applicants with previous, recent employment with the employer are only required to complete the Contact portion of the Employment Application.

Applicants may apply in person at the employer's office from 7:00 am to 12:00 noon Monday thru Friday. Office address is 476 W Presque Isle Rd., Caribou, ME 04736

2. Telephone Number to Apply *
+1 (207) 498-8228

3. Extension §
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4. Email Address to Apply *
drew@evranches.com

5. Website Address (URL) to Apply *
n/a

H. Additional Material Terms and Conditions of the Job Offer

1. Is a completed **Addendum C** providing additional information about the material terms, conditions, and benefits (monetary and non-monetary) that will be provided by the employer attached to this job order? *

☒ Yes ☐ No

I. Conditions of Employment and Assurances for H-2A Agricultural Clearance Orders

By virtue of my signature below, I **HEREBY CERTIFY** my knowledge of and compliance with applicable Federal, State, and local employment-related laws and regulations, including employment-related health and safety laws, and certify the following conditions of employment:

1. **JOB OPPORTUNITY:** Employer assures that the job opportunity identified in this clearance order (hereinafter also referred to as the "job order") is a full-time temporary position being placed with the SWA in connection with an *H-2A Application for Temporary Employment Certification* for H-2A workers and this clearance order satisfies the requirements for agricultural clearance orders in 20 CFR part 653, subpart F and the requirements set forth in 20 CFR 655, subpart B. This job opportunity offers U.S. workers no less than the same benefits, wages, and working conditions that the employer is offering, intends to offer, or will provide to H-2A workers and complies with the requirements at 20 CFR part 655, subpart B. The job opportunity is open to any qualified U.S. worker regardless of race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, handicap, or citizenship.

2. **NO STRIKE, LOCKOUT, OR WORK STOPPAGE:** Employer assures that this job opportunity, including all places of employment for which the employer is requesting temporary agricultural labor certification does not currently have workers on strike or being locked out in the course of a labor dispute. 20 CFR 655.135(b).

3. **HOUSING FOR WORKERS:** Employer agrees to provide or secure housing for the H-2A workers and those workers in corresponding employment who are not reasonably able to return to their residence at the end of the work day. That housing complies with the applicable local, State, and/or Federal standards and is sufficient to house the specified number of workers requested through the clearance system. The employer will provide the housing without charge to the worker. Any charges for rental housing will be paid directly by the employer to the owner or operator of the housing. If public accommodations or public housing are provided to workers, the employer agrees to pay all housing-related charges directly to the housing's management. The employer agrees that charges in the form of deposits for bedding or other similar incidentals related to housing (e.g., utilities) must not be levied upon workers. However, the employer may require workers to reimburse them for damage caused to housing by the individual worker(s) found to have been responsible for damage which is not the result of normal wear and tear related to habitation. When it is the prevailing practice in the area of intended employment and the occupation to provide family housing, the employer agrees to provide family housing at no cost to workers with families who request it. 20 CFR 655.122(d), 653.501(c)(3)(vi).

Request for Conditional Access to Intrastate or Interstate Clearance System: Employer assures that the housing disclosed on this clearance order will be in full compliance with all applicable local, State, and/or Federal standards at least 20 calendar days before the housing is to be occupied. 20 CFR 653.502(a)(3). The Certifying Officer will not certify the application until the employer provides evidence that housing has been inspected and approved or, in the case of rental or public accommodations, is otherwise in full compliance.

4. **WORKERS' COMPENSATION COVERAGE:** Employer agrees to provide workers' compensation insurance coverage in compliance with State law covering injury and disease arising out of and in the course of the worker's employment. If the type of employment for which the certification is sought is not covered by or is exempt from the State's workers' compensation law, the employer agrees to provide, at no cost to the worker, insurance covering injury and disease arising out of and in the course of the worker's employment that will provide benefits at least equal to those provided under the State workers' compensation law for other comparable employment. 20 CFR 655.122(e).

5. **EMPLOYER-PROVIDED TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT:** Employer agrees to provide to the worker, without charge or deposit charge, all tools, supplies, and equipment required to perform the duties assigned. 20 CFR 655.122(f), .210(d), or .302(c).



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6. **MEALS:** Employer agrees to provide each worker with three meals a day or furnish free and convenient cooking and kitchen facilities to the workers that will enable the workers to prepare their own meals. Where the employer provides the meals, the job offer will state the charge, if any, to the worker for such meals. The amount of meal charges is governed by 20 CFR 655.173. 20 CFR 655.122(g). When a charge or deduction for the cost of meals would bring the worker's wage below the minimum wage set by the FLSA at 29 U.S.C. 206, the charge or deduction must meet the requirements of 29 U.S.C. 203(m) of the FLSA, including the recordkeeping requirements found at 29 CFR 516.27.

For workers engaged in the herding or production of livestock on the range, the employer agrees to provide each worker, without charge or deposit charge, (1) either three sufficient meals a day, or free and convenient cooking facilities and adequate provision of food to enable the worker to prepare his own meals. To be sufficient or adequate, the meals or food provided must include a daily source of protein, vitamins, and minerals; and (2) adequate potable water, or water that can be easily rendered potable and the means to do so. 20 CFR 655.210(e).

7. **TRANSPORTATION AND DAILY SUBSISTENCE:** Employer agrees to provide the following transportation and daily subsistence benefits to eligible workers.

A. *Transportation to Place of Employment (Inbound)*

If the worker completes 50 percent of the work contract period, and the employer did not directly provide such transportation or subsistence or otherwise has not yet paid the worker for such transportation or subsistence costs, the employer agrees to reimburse the worker for reasonable costs incurred by the worker for transportation and daily subsistence from the place from which the worker came to work for the employer to the employer's place of employment, whether in the U.S. or abroad. The amount of the transportation payment must be no less (and is not required to be more) than the most economical and reasonable common carrier transportation charges for the distances involved. The amount the employer will pay for daily subsistence expenses are those amounts disclosed in this clearance order, which are at least as much as the employer would charge the worker for providing the worker with three meals a day during employment (if applicable), but in no event will be less than the amount permitted under 20 CFR 655.173(a). The employer understands that the Fair Labor Standards Act applies independently of the H-2A requirements and imposes obligations on employers regarding payment of wages. 20 CFR 655.122(h)(1).

B. *Transportation from Place of Employment (Outbound)*

If the worker completes the work contract period, or is terminated without cause, and the worker has no immediate subsequent H-2A employment, the employer agrees to provide or pay for the worker's transportation and daily subsistence from the place of employment to the place from which the worker, disregarding intervening employment, departed to work for the employer. Return transportation will not be provided to workers who voluntarily abandon employment before the end of the work contract period, or who are terminated for cause, if the employer follows the notification requirements in 20 CFR 655.122(n).

If the worker has contracted with a subsequent employer who has not agreed in such work contract to provide or pay for the worker's transportation and daily subsistence expenses from the employer's place of employment to such subsequent employer's place of employment, the employer must provide for such expenses. If the worker has contracted with a subsequent employer who has agreed in such work contract to provide or pay for the worker's transportation and daily subsistence expenses from the employer's place of employment to such subsequent employer's place of employment, the subsequent employer must provide or pay for such expenses.

The employer is not relieved of its obligation to provide or pay for return transportation and subsistence if an H-2A worker is displaced as a result of the employer's compliance with the employer's obligation to hire U.S. workers who apply or are referred after the employer's date of need during the recruitment period set out in 20 CFR 655.135(d). 20 CFR 655.122(h)(2).

C. *Daily Transportation*

Employer agrees to provide transportation between housing provided or secured by the employer and the employer's place(s) of employment at no cost to the worker. 20 CFR 655.122(h)(3).

D. *Compliance with Transportation Standards*

Employer assures that all employer-provided transportation will comply with all applicable Federal, State, or local laws and regulations. Employer agrees to provide, at a minimum, the same transportation safety standards, driver licensure, and vehicle insurance as required under 29 U.S.C. 1841 and 29 CFR 500.104 or 500.105 and 29 CFR 500.120 to 500.128. If workers' compensation is used to cover transportation, in lieu of vehicle insurance, the employer will ensure that such workers' compensation covers all travel or that vehicle insurance exists to provide coverage for travel not covered by workers' compensation. Employer agrees to have property damage insurance. 20 CFR 655.122(h)(4).

8. **THREE-FOURTHS GUARANTEE:** Employer agrees to offer the worker employment for a total number of work hours equal to at least three-fourths of the workdays of the total period beginning with the first workday after the arrival of the worker at the place of employment or the advertised contractual first date of need, whichever is later, and ending on the expiration date specified in the work contract or in its extensions, if any. 20 CFR 655.122(i).

The employer may offer the worker more than the specified hours of work on a single workday. For purposes of meeting the three-fourths guarantee, the worker will not be required to work for more than the number of hours specified in the job order for a workday, or on the worker's Sabbath or Federal holidays. If, during the total work contract period, the employer affords the U.S. or H-2A worker less employment than that required under this guarantee, the employer will pay such worker the amount the worker would have earned had the worker, in fact, worked for the guaranteed number of days. An employer will not be considered to have met the work guarantee if the employer has merely offered work on three-fourths of the workdays if each workday did not consist of a full number of hours of work time as specified in the job order. All hours of work actually performed may be counted by the employer in calculating whether the period of guaranteed employment has been met. Any hours the worker fails to work, up to a maximum of the number of hours specified in the job order for a workday, when the worker has been offered an opportunity to work, and all hours of work actually performed (including voluntary work over 8 hours in a workday or on the worker's Sabbath or Federal holidays), may be counted by the employer in calculating whether the period of guaranteed employment has been met. 20 CFR 655.122(i).

If the worker is paid on a piece rate basis, the employer agrees to use the worker's average hourly piece rate earnings or the required hourly wage rate, whichever is higher, to calculate the amount due under the three-fourths guarantee. 20 CFR 655.122(i).



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If the worker voluntarily abandons employment before the end of the period of employment set forth in the job order, or is terminated for cause, and the employer follows the notification requirements in 20 CFR 655.122(n), the worker is not entitled to the three-fourths guarantee. The employer is not liable for payment of the three-fourths guarantee to an H-2A worker whom the Department of Labor certifies is displaced due to the employer's requirement to hire qualified and available U.S. workers during the recruitment period set out in 20 CFR 655.135(d), which lasts until 50 percent of the period of the work contract has elapsed (50 percent rule). 20 CFR 655.122(i).

Important Note: In circumstances where the work contract is terminated due to contract impossibility under 20 CFR 655.122(o), the three-fourths guarantee period ends on the date of termination.

9. **EARNINGS RECORDS:** Employer agrees to keep accurate and adequate records with respect to the workers' earnings at the place or places of employment, or at one or more established central recordkeeping offices where such records are customarily maintained. The records must include each worker's permanent address, and, when available, permanent email address, and phone number(s). All records must be available for inspection and transcription by the Department of Labor or a duly authorized and designated representative, and by the worker and representatives designated by the worker as evidenced by appropriate documentation. Where the records are maintained at a central recordkeeping office, other than in the place or places of employment, such records must be made available for inspection and copying within 72 hours following notice from the Department of Labor, or a duly authorized and designated representative, and by the worker and designated representatives. The content of earnings records must meet all regulatory requirements and be retained by the employer for a period of not less than 3 years after the date of certification by the Department of Labor. 20 CFR 655.122(j).

10. **HOURS AND EARNINGS STATEMENTS:** Employer agrees to furnish to the worker on or before each payday in one or more written statements the following information: (1) the worker's total earnings for the pay period; (2) the worker's hourly rate and/or piece rate of pay; (3) the hours of employment offered to the worker (showing offers in accordance with the three-fourths guarantee as determined in 20 CFR 655.122(i), separate from any hours offered over and above the guarantee); (4) the hours actually worked by the worker; (5) an itemization of all deductions made from the worker's wages; (6) if piece rates are used, the units produced daily; (7) beginning and ending dates of the pay period; and (8) the employer's name, address and FEIN. 20 CFR 655.122(k).

For workers engaged in the herding or production of livestock on the range, the employer is exempt from recording and furnishing the hours actually worked each day, the time the worker begins and ends each workday, as well as the nature and amount of work performed, but otherwise must comply with the earnings records and hours and earnings statement requirements set out in 20 CFR 655.122(j) and (k). The employer agrees to keep daily records indicating whether the site of the employee's work was on the range or off the range. If the employer prorates a worker's wage because of the worker's voluntary absence for personal reasons, it must also keep a record of the reason for the worker's absence. 20 CFR 655.210(f).

11. **RATES OF PAY:** The employer agrees that it will offer, advertise in its recruitment, and pay at least the Adverse Effect Wage Rate (AEWR), a prevailing wage rate, the agreed-upon collective bargaining rate, the Federal minimum wage, or the State minimum wage, whichever is highest, for every hour or portion thereof worked during a pay period. If the offered wage(s) disclosed in this clearance order is/are based on commission, bonuses, or other incentives, the employer guarantees the wage paid on a weekly, semi-monthly, or monthly basis will equal or exceed the AEWR, prevailing wage rate, Federal minimum wage, State minimum wage, or any agreed-upon collective bargaining rate, whichever is highest. If the applicable AEWR or prevailing wage is adjusted during the contract period, and that new rate is higher than the highest of the AEWR, the prevailing wage, the collective bargaining rate, the Federal minimum wage, or the State minimum wage, the employer will increase the pay of all employees in the same occupation to the higher rate no later than the effective date of the adjustment. If the new AEWR or prevailing wage is lower than the rate guaranteed on this job order, the employer will continue to pay at least the rate guaranteed on this job order.

If the worker is paid on a piece rate basis, the piece rate must be no less than the prevailing piece rate for the crop activity or agricultural activity and, if applicable, a distinct work task or tasks performed in that activity in the geographic area, if one has been issued. At the end of the pay period, if the piece rate does not result in average hourly piece rate earnings during the pay period at least equal to the amount the worker would have earned had the worker been paid at the appropriate hourly rate, the employer agrees to supplement the worker's pay at that time so that the worker's earnings are at least as much as the worker would have earned during the pay period if the worker had instead been paid at the appropriate hourly wage rate for each hour worked. 20 CFR 655.120, 655.122(l).

For workers engaged in the herding or production of livestock on the range, the employer agrees to pay the worker at least the monthly AEWR, the agreed-upon collective bargaining wage, or the applicable minimum wage imposed by Federal or State law or judicial action, in effect at the time work is performed, whichever is highest, for every month of the job order period or portion thereof. If the offered wage disclosed in this clearance order is based on commissions, bonuses, or other incentives, the employer guarantees that the wage paid will equal or exceed the monthly AEWR, the agreed-upon collective bargaining wage, or the applicable minimum wage imposed by Federal or State law or judicial action, whichever is highest, and will be paid to each worker free and clear without any unauthorized deductions. The employer may prorate the wage for the initial and final pay periods of the job order period if its pay period does not match the beginning or ending dates of the job order. The employer also may prorate the wage if an employee is voluntarily unavailable to work for personal reasons. 20 CFR 655.210(g).

12. **FREQUENCY OF PAY:** Employer agrees to pay workers when due based on the frequency disclosed in this clearance order. 20 CFR 655.122(m).
13. **ABANDONMENT OF EMPLOYMENT OR TERMINATION FOR CAUSE:** If a worker voluntarily abandons employment before the end of the contract period, or is terminated for cause, the employer is not responsible for providing or paying for the subsequent transportation and subsistence expenses of that worker, and that worker is not entitled to the three-fourths guarantee, if the employer notifies the U.S. Department of Labor and, if applicable, the Department of Homeland Security, in writing or by any other method specified by the Department of Labor or the Department of Homeland Security in the *Federal Register*, not later than 2 working days after the abandonment or termination occurs. A worker will be deemed to have abandoned the work contract after the worker fails to show up for work at the regularly scheduled time for 5 consecutive work days without the consent of the employer. 20 CFR 655.122(n).
14. **CONTRACT IMPOSSIBILITY:** The work contract may be terminated before the end date of work specified in the work contract if the services of the workers are no longer required for reasons beyond the control of the employer due to fire, weather, or other Act of God that makes fulfillment of the contract impossible, as determined by the Department of Labor. In the event that the work contract is terminated, the employer agrees to fulfill the three-fourths guarantee for the time that has elapsed from the start date of work specified in the work contract to the date of termination. The employer also agrees that it will make efforts to transfer the worker to other comparable employment acceptable



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to the worker and consistent with existing immigration laws. In situations where a transfer is not affected, the employer agrees to return the worker at the employer's expense to the place from which the worker, disregarding intervening employment, came to work for the employer, or transport the worker to his/her next certified H-2A employer, whichever the worker prefers. The employer will also reimburse the worker the full amount of any deductions made by the employer from the worker's pay for transportation and subsistence expenses to the place of employment. The employer will also pay the worker for any transportation and subsistence expenses incurred by the worker to that employer's place of employment. The amounts the employer will pay for subsistence expenses per day are those amounts disclosed in this clearance order. The amount of the transportation payment must not be less (and is not required to be more) than the most economical and reasonable common carrier transportation charges for the distances involved. 20 CFR 655.122(o).

The employer is not required to pay for transportation and daily subsistence from the place of employment to a subsequent employer's place of employment if the worker has contracted with a subsequent employer who has agreed to provide or pay for the worker's transportation and subsistence expenses from the present employer's place of employment to the subsequent employer's place of employment. 20 CFR 655.122(h)(2).

15. **DEDUCTIONS FROM WORKER'S PAY:** Employer agrees to make all deductions from the worker's paycheck required by law. This job offer discloses all deductions not required by law which the employer will make from the worker's paycheck and all such deductions are reasonable, in accordance with 20 CFR 655.122(p) and 29 CFR part 531. The wage requirements of 20 CFR 655.120 will not be met where undisclosed or unauthorized deductions, rebates, or refunds reduce the wage payment made to the employee below the minimum amounts required under 20 CFR part 655, subpart B, or where the employee fails to receive such amounts free and clear because the employee kicks back directly or indirectly to the employer or to another person for the employer's benefit the whole or part of the wage delivered to the employee. 20 CFR 655.122(p).
16. **DISCLOSURE OF WORK CONTRACT:** Employer agrees to provide a copy of the work contract to an H-2A worker no later than the time at which the worker applies for the visa, or to a worker in corresponding employment no later than on the day work commences. For an H-2A worker coming to the employer from another H-2A employer or who does not require a visa for entry to the United States, the employer agrees to provide a copy of the work contract no later than the time an offer of employment is made to the H-2A worker. A copy of the work contract will be provided to each worker in a language understood by the worker, as necessary or reasonable. In the absence of a separate, written work contract entered into between the employer and the worker, the work contract at minimum will be the terms of this clearance order, including all Addenda, the certified *H-2A Application for Temporary Employment Certification* and any obligations required under 8 U.S.C. 1188, 29 CFR part 501, or 20 CFR part 655, subpart B. 20 CFR 655.122(q).
17. **ADDITIONAL ASSURANCES FOR CLEARANCE ORDERS:**
- A. Employer agrees to provide to workers referred through the clearance system the number of hours of work disclosed in this clearance order for the week beginning with the anticipated first date of need, unless the employer has amended the first date of need at least 10 business days before the original first date of need by so notifying the Order-Holding Office (OHO) in writing (e.g., email notification). The employer understands that it is the responsibility of the SWA to make a record of all notifications and attempt to inform referred workers of the amended first date of need expeditiously. 20 CFR 653.501(c)(3)(i).
- If there is a change to the anticipated first date of need, and the employer fails to notify the OHO at least 10 business days before the original first date of need, the employer agrees that it will pay eligible workers referred through the clearance system the specified rate of pay disclosed in this clearance order for the first week starting with the originally anticipated first date of need or will provide alternative work if such alternative work is stated on the clearance order. 20 CFR 653.501(c)(3)(5).
- B. Employer agrees that no extension of employment beyond the period of employment specified in the clearance order will relieve it from paying the wages already earned, or if specified in the clearance order as a term of employment, providing transportation from the place of employment, as described in paragraph 7.B above. 20 CFR 653.501(c)(3)(ii).
- C. Employer assures that all working conditions comply with applicable Federal and State minimum wage, child labor, social security, health and safety, farm labor contractor registration, and other employment-related laws. 20 CFR 653.501(c)(3)(iii).
- D. Employer agrees to expeditiously notify the OHO or SWA by emailing and telephoning immediately upon learning that a crop is maturing earlier or later, or that weather conditions, over-recruitment, or other factors have changed the terms and conditions of employment. 20 CFR 653.501(c)(3)(iv).
- E. If acting as a farm labor contractor (FLC) or farm labor contractor employee (FLCE) on this clearance order, the employer assures that it has a valid Federal FLC certificate or Federal FLCE identification card and when appropriate, any required State FLC certificate. 20 CFR 653.501(c)(3)(v).
- F. Employer assures that outreach workers will have reasonable access to the workers in the conduct of outreach activities pursuant to 20 CFR 653.107. 20 CFR 653.501(c)(3)(vii).

I declare under penalty of perjury that I have read and reviewed this clearance order, including every page of this Form ETA-790A and all supporting addendums, and that to the best of my knowledge, the information contained therein is true and accurate. This clearance order describes the actual terms and conditions of the employment being offered by me and contains all the material terms and conditions of the job. 20 CFR 653.501(c)(3)(viii). I understand that to knowingly furnish materially false information in the preparation of this form and/or any supplement thereto or to aid, abet, or counsel another to do so is a federal offense punishable by fines, imprisonment, or both. 18 U.S.C. §§ 2, 1001.

1. Last (family) name * Ayer	2. First (given) name * Drew	3. Middle initial § P
4. Title * Member/General Manager		

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5. Signature (or digital signature) * Digital Signature Verified and Retained By <i>Certifying Officer</i>	6. Date signed * 4/2/2024
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A.9. Additional Crop or Agricultural Activities and Wage Offer Information

Crop ID	Crop or Agricultural Activity	Wage Offer	Per	Piece Rate Units / Estimated Hourly Rate / Special Pay Information
Broc	Broccoli and Cauliflower Field Work	\$ 17 80	Hour	All workers are paid on an hourly basis.
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C. Additional Place of Employment Information

1. Name of Agricultural Business §	2. Place of Employment *	3. Additional Place of Employment Information §	4. Begin Date §	5. End Date §	6. Total Workers §
EMERALD VALLEY RANCHES, LLC	453 VAN BUREN ROAD CARIBOU, Maine 04736 CARIBOU CITY	FIELD GPS COORDINATES: 46.897691N/-68.003695W	6/3/2024	10/28/2024	115
EMERALD VALLEY RANCHES, LLC	430 BALANGER ROAD CARIBOU, Maine 04736 CARIBOU CITY	FIELD GPS COORDINATES: 46.928576N/-68.005636W	6/3/2024	10/28/2024	115
EMERALD VALLEY RANCHES, LLC	1136 ALBAIR ROAD CARIBOU, Maine 04736 CARIBOU CITY	FIELD GPS COORDINATES: 46.896405N/-67.979485W	6/3/2024	10/28/2024	115
EMERALD VALLEY RANCHES, LLC	298 OGREN ROAD CARIBOU, Maine 04736 CARIBOU CITY	FIELD GPS COORDINATES: 46.919401N, -68.055199W	6/3/2024	10/28/2024	115
EMERALD VALLEY RANCHES, LLC	58 DOYLE ROAD CARIBOU, Maine 04736 CARIBOU CITY	FIELD GPS COORDINATES: 46.794930N/-67.995851W	6/3/2024	10/28/2024	115
EMERALD VALLEY RANCHES, LLC	1270 PRESQUE ISLE ROAD CARIBOU, Maine 04736 CARIBOU CITY	FIELD GPS COORDINATES: 46.785606N, -67.980423W	6/3/2024	10/28/2024	115
EMERALD VALLEY RANCHES, LLC	165 GRAND FALLS ROAD LIMESTONE, Maine 04750 LIMESTONE TOWN	FIELD GPS COORDINATES: 46.913943N/-67.807721W	6/3/2024	10/28/2024	115
EMERALD VALLEY RANCHES, LLC	234 BLAKE ROAD LIMESTONE, Maine 04750 LIMESTONE TOWN	FIELD GPS COORDINATES: 46.903179N, -67.795565W	6/3/2024	10/28/2024	115
EMERALD VALLEY RANCHES, LLC	800 HAMLIN ROAD HAMLIN, Maine 04785 HAMLIN PLANTATION	FIELD GPS COORDINATES: 47.097367N/-67.894217W	6/3/2024	10/28/2024	115
EMERALD VALLEY RANCHES, LLC	508 BEAULIEU ROAD Connor, Maine 04736 CONNOR UNORGANIZED	FIELD GPS COORDINATES: 46.983502N/-67.989985W	6/3/2024	10/28/2024	115

D. Additional Housing Information

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C. Additional Place of Employment Information

1. Name of Agricultural Business §	2. Place of Employment *	3. Additional Place of Employment Information §	4. Begin Date §	5. End Date §	6. Total Workers §
EMERALD VALLEY RANCHES, LLC	1197 MADAWASKA ROAD Connor, Maine 04736 CONNOR UNORGANIZED	FIELD GPS COORDINATES: 46.977620N/-67.948126W	6/3/2024	10/28/2024	115
EMERALD VALLEY RANCHES, LLC	871 MADAWASKA ROAD CONNOR, Maine 04736 CONNOR UNORGANIZED	FIELD GPS COORDINATES: 46.955784N/-67.953983W	6/3/2024	10/28/2024	115
EMERALD VALLEY RANCHES, LLC	88 PLANTE ROAD CARIBOU, Maine 04736 CARIBOU CITY	FIELD GPS COORDINATES: 46.932111N/-98.034596W	6/3/2024	10/28/2024	115
EMERALD VALLEY RANCHES, LLC	553 MADAWASKA ROAD CARIBOU, Maine 04736 CARIBOU CITY	FIELD GPS COORDINATES: 46.937246N/-67.952349W	6/3/2024	10/28/2024	115
EMERALD VALLEY RANCHES, LLC	534 VAN BUREN ROAD CARIBOU, Maine 04736 CARIBOU CITY	FIELD GPS COORDINATES: 46.906249N/-68.019660W	6/3/2024	10/28/2024	115

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H. Additional Material Terms and Conditions of the Job Offer

a. Job Offer Information 1

1. Section/Item Number *	D.10	2. Name of Section or Category of Material Term or Condition *	Additional Housing Information
3. Details of Material Term or Condition (<i>up to 3,500 characters</i>) * Apartment with kitchen, bedrooms, and bath facilities. Kitchen equipped with stove, refrigerator, sink, food preparation and storage areas with dining table. Bathroom equipped with shower, toilet, and sink. Three lockable bedrooms with bunk and single beds. Workers are responsible for any damage to facilities in excess of normal wear and tear and to maintain housing in a safe and sanitary manner. All garbage containers must be dumped daily. No pets will be allowed.			

b. Job Offer Information 2

1. Section/Item Number *	F.1	2. Name of Section or Category of Material Term or Condition *	Daily Transportation
3. Details of Material Term or Condition (<i>up to 3,500 characters</i>) * Daily transportation to and from the worksite is provided to all workers free of charge on work days. Transportation is provided in 15 passenger vans (Transportation Units) with adequate space for the workers personal items and, where applicable, Field Sanitation Units for use during the work day. Workers must be assembled with all personal items at Company housing 45 minutes prior to the start of the workday. Continued on Addendum C			

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H. Additional Material Terms and Conditions of the Job Offer

c. Job Offer Information 3

1. Section/Item Number *	F.2	2. Name of Section or Category of Material Term or Condition *	Inbound/Outbound Transportation
3. Details of Material Term or Condition (<i>up to 3,500 characters</i>) * After the worker has completed 50% of the work contract period the employer will reimburse the worker for their reasonable cost of transportation and subsistence from the PLACE OF RECRUITMENT to the worksite. Upon completion of the work contract the employer will pay reasonable costs of return transportation and subsistence to the place of recruitment, except when the worker will not be returning to the place of recruitment due to subsequent employment with another employer who agrees to pay.			

d. Job Offer Information 4

1. Section/Item Number *	F.2	2. Name of Section or Category of Material Term or Condition *	Inbound/Outbound Transportation - Detail of transportation reimbursement
3. Details of Material Term or Condition (<i>up to 3,500 characters</i>) * In the case of subsequent employment with another employer agrees to pay such costs in which case this employer only pays for the transportation to the next job. The amount of the transportation payment will be equal to the most economical and reasonable similar common carrier transportation charges for the distances involved. All workers are responsible for arranging their own transportation from the place of recruitment to the place of employment and for their return after the completion of the contract period. Employer does not advance money at place of recruitment for travel and subsistence expenses. Any advances made after worker arrives at workplace are at the sole discretion of the employer and may be based, in part, on the likelihood of the employer being repaid the advance. Employee agrees to repay any advances in full and to have the advances deducted from their paychecks. For workers who are provided housing, transportation at no cost to the worker will be provided between the housing and the worksite. Employees commuting to work will be required to report to Company Housing at 158 Caribou Lake Rd. a minimum of 45 minutes before the official start of work for transport to fields in Company vehicles. Due to liability, food safety, scheduling and congestion concerns, no personal vehicles are allowed in production areas.			

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e. Job Offer Information 5

1. Section/Item Number *	F.1	2. Name of Section or Category of Material Term or Condition *	Daily Transportation -
3. Details of Material Term or Condition (<i>up to 3,500 characters</i>) * ?Emerald Valley Ranches uses up to 14 TU to transport workers with the number varying depending on the work site location. ?All TU have a Seating capacity of 15 workers including the operator, single axel with a GVWR of <9,999 lbs. ?All TU are owned and provided by the Employer, operated by properly licensed and qualified drivers (license and credentials on file), and are properly insured to meet State and Federal requirements. ?Daily transportation is provided at no cost to workers who do not reside in employer-provided housing. No personal vehicles are allowed at worksites due to liability, food safety, scheduling and congestion requirements. ?Use of Company TU are provided free of charge to workers on non-work days for transportation to local stores for the purpose of procuring food and supplies. Only workers who are licensed, qualified and approved for operation of TU by the Employer are authorized to operate TU on non-work days.			

f. Job Offer Information 6

1. Section/Item Number *	B.6	2. Name of Section or Category of Material Term or Condition *	Job Requirements - Production Standards
3. Details of Material Term or Condition (<i>up to 3,500 characters</i>) * Training (all duties): the employer will provide 1 day of training, 2 days of work for the worker to meet the standards. Production Standards (harvesting broccoli/cauliflower): After completion of training or break-in period, employer will expect workers to cut, field grade, bunch, pack into cases, and palletize 100 cases of broccoli/cauliflower per 8 hour day per worker in the crew. Grade standard: US#1. Production Standards (field work): After of completion of training or break-in period, employer will expect workers to perform tasks while remaining on their feet and bending to complete tasks with both hands. The crew chief will set a reasonable pace that workers are expected to meet. Workers work as part of a team and are expected to be on time each day, every day so the entire crew can start on time. Tardiness and absenteeism will affect the productivity of other team members and will not be tolerated. Additionally, workers are expected to maintain the work rate or speed set by the Field Foreman and/or Crew Chief and maintained by the other workers. Each crew will have an experienced supervisor/Crew Chief. The Crew Chief and Field Foreman will provide initial training, supervise workers in type and size of cuts and bunches to make, any quality related issues, and set a reasonable production pace or rate for the crew based on the Production Standard. All workers will be provided a knife, waterproof leggings and rain coat. (Workers are expected to perform these tasks in all weather conditions.) Workers will be expected to work in all weather conditions and be physically able to walk several miles per day in the fields. Workers must be able to bend over repeatedly and must be willing to perform above duties on an everyday basis. Workers must be able to lift 42 lbs. lifting requirement. Workers must have a minimum of 3 continuous months of commercial vegetable harvesting experience in a crew format (using a knife) of green vegetables such as broccoli, cauliflower, lettuce, or celery. Emerald Valley Ranches, LLC requires workers to meet this experience requirement for the following reasons: 1. EVR is a large, commercial broccoli farming operation. We ship in excess of 18,000 cases of broccoli per day. There are only 2 farms this size in Maine. We are not a truck farm that may harvest a few cases per day for roadside or restaurant sales. 2. EVR has a reasonable production requirement. 3. Work is done in a crew format. All members of the crew must be on time and work together as a team. Any individual that cannot meet make the reasonable production pace set by the crew chief will slow down the entire crew and prevent them from meeting the production standard. Additionally, the individual, in an effort to keep pace with the rest of the crew, will leave behind marketable product. 4. While the experience requirement is not addressed directly in the annual Maine Broccoli Jobs Survey, it is the prevailing practice of the two large, commercial broccoli operations in Maine to require new hires to have previous experience. Additionally, it is the prevailing practice in New York, the nearest state with similarly sized vegetable farms to require 3 continuous months of crew harvesting experience. In any employment relationship, both the worker and the employer must have a reasonable expectation of success in the position and in completing the job contract period.			

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g. Job Offer Information 7

1. Section/Item Number *	A.8a	2. Name of Section or Category of Material Term or Condition *	Job Duties - Additional Information Regarding Job Qualifications/Requirements
3. Details of Material Term or Condition (up to 3,500 characters) * Production Standards (field work): After of completion of training or break-in period, employer will expect workers to perform tasks while remaining on their feet and bending to complete tasks with both hands. The crew chief will set a reasonable pace that workers are expected to meet. Workers work as part of a team and are expected to be on time each day, every day so the entire crew can start on time. Tardiness and absenteeism will affect the productivity of other team members and will not be tolerated. Additionally, workers are expected to maintain the work rate or speed set by the Field Foreman and/or Crew Chief and maintained by the other workers. Each crew will have an experienced supervisor/Crew Chief. The Crew Chief and Field Foreman will provide initial training, supervise workers in type and size of cuts and bunches to make, any quality related issues, and set a reasonable production pace or rate for the crew based on the Production Standard. All workers will be provided a knife, waterproof leggings and rain coat. (Workers are expected to perform these tasks in all weather conditions.) Workers will be expected to work in all weather conditions and be physically able to walk several miles per day in the fields. Workers must be able to bend over repeatedly and must be willing to perform above duties on an everyday basis. Workers must be able to lift 42 lbs. lifting requirement. Workers must have a minimum of 3 continuous months of commercial vegetable harvesting experience in a crew format (using a knife) of ?green vegetables? such as broccoli, cauliflower, lettuce, or celery. Emerald Valley Ranches, LLC requires workers to meet this experience requirement for the following reasons: 1.EVR is a large, commercial broccoli farming operation. We ship in excess of 18,000 cases of broccoli per day. There are only 2 farms this size in Maine. We are not a truck farm that may harvest a few cases per day for roadside or restaurant sales. 2.EVR has a reasonable production requirement. 3.Work is done in a crew format. All members of the crew must be on time and work together as a team. Any individual that cannot meet make the reasonable production pace set by the crew chief will slow down the entire crew and prevent them from meeting the production standard. Additionally, the individual, in an effort to keep pace with the rest of the crew, will leave behind marketable product. 4.While the experience requirement is not addressed directly in the annual Maine Broccoli Jobs Survey, it is the prevailing practice of the two large, commercial broccoli operations in Maine to require new hires to have previous experience. Additionally, it is the prevailing practice in New York, the nearest state with similarly sized vegetable farms to require 3 continuous months of crew harvesting experience. In any employment relationship, both the worker and the employer must have a reasonable expectation of success in the position and in completing the job contract period. Experience has shown that new hires with no job experience are unable to meet the production standard after the two day training period. Workers must be willing and able to complete the entire Job Contract period.			

h. Job Offer Information 8

1. Section/Item Number *		2. Name of Section or Category of Material Term or Condition *	
3. Details of Material Term or Condition (up to 3,500 characters) *			

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