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**ADVISORY: TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT GUIDANCE LETTER NO. 13-13  
Change 1**

**TO:** STATE WORKFORCE AGENCIES  
 STATE WORKFORCE ADMINISTRATORS  
 STATE WORKFORCE LIAISONS  
 STATE AND LOCAL WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARDS

**FROM:** PORTIA WU /s/  
 Assistant Secretary

**SUBJECT:** One-Year Extension of the Program Year (PY) 2014 Agricultural Outreach Plans (AOP), the Designation of Significant Migrant and Seasonal Farm Worker (MSFW) States, and the Designation of Significant MSFW and Bilingual Local Offices through PY 2015

1. **Purpose.** To inform the State Workforce Agencies of the extension of the approval period for the AOPs, the designation of MSFW states, and the PY 2014 designation of Significant MSFW and Bilingual Local Offices through June 30, 2016. This means that current AOPs, designated MSFW states, and Significant MSFW and Bilingual Local Offices will remain the same through June 30, 2016. States do not need to submit updated AOPs.

2. **References.**

- Wagner-Peyser (W-P) Act, as amended (29 U.S.C. 49, *et seq.*);
- Workforce Investment Act of 1998 (WIA), as amended (29 U.S.C. 2801, *et seq.*);
- Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) (29 U.S.C. 3101, *et seq.*), sec. 503;
- W-P regulations, 20 CFR 653 and 651.10;
- Training and Employment Guidance Letter (TEGL) No. 13-13, Instructions and Planning Guidance for the Agricultural Outreach Plans (AOP) for Program Year (PY) 2014; the Designation of Significant Migrant and Seasonal Farm Worker (MSFW) States; and the Designation of Significant MSFW and Bilingual Local Offices
- TEGL No. 21-11, *Requirements for 2012 State Workforce Plans*; and
- OMB control number 1205-0398, *Planning Guidance and Instructions for Submission of Strategic State Plan and Plan Modifications for Title I of the Workforce Investment Act and Wagner Peyser Act.*

3. **Transitioning from WIA to WIOA.** The Department of Labor (Department) is granting a one year extension to states for their PY 2014 AOP in order to assist states in their transition from WIA to the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA). This action is being

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taken under the transition authority at WIOA sec. 503(a) and (d) to provide for the orderly transition from WIA to WIOA. State Workforce Agencies (SWAs) are not required to submit a new AOP for PY 2015. The Department will consider the PY 2014 AOPs active through June 30, 2016. However, if there are changes to the status of Significant Local Offices, State Monitor Advocates are strongly encouraged to inform the appropriate Regional Monitor Advocate.

The Department will be extending the designation of MSFW states and the PY 2014 designation of Significant MSFW and Bilingual Local Offices through June 30, 2016. This means that current AOPs, designated MSFW states, and Significant MSFW and Bilingual Local Offices will remain the same through June 30, 2016. This is to help provide for an orderly transition from WIA to WIOA pursuant to the Department's WIOA transition authority. WIOA sec. 503(d).

4. **Inquiries.** Please direct questions regarding the extension or implementation of the AOPs to the appropriate Regional Monitor Advocate, listed at <http://www.doleta.gov/programs/msfw.cfm>, or to the National Monitor Advocate, at [nma@dol.gov](mailto:nma@dol.gov).
5. **Attachments.**
  - Attachment I: List of Significant MSFW States and the Five States with the Highest Estimated Year Round MSFW Activity for PY 2015
  - Attachment II: Nationwide List of Significant MSFW/Bilingual Local Offices