## Ginseng Board of Wisconsin Election Begins

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MADISON, Wis.— The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) has certified two nominees eligible to be elected to the two open seats of the Ginseng Board of Wisconsin. Candidates were nominated during the period that ended March 28, 2025. Wisconsin ginseng growers have from May 12, 2025, to June 16, 2025, to vote on the following candidates:

- Kirk Baumann, Wausau
- Danny Krueger, Wausau

Elected producers will serve three-year terms beginning July 1, 2025.

DATCP will mail ballots to eligible ginseng growers during the week of May 12, 2025. Growers who have not received a ballot by May 20, 2025, can request one by contacting DATCP Market Orders staff at DATCPMarketOrders@wisconsin.gov.

Eligible growers can vote for the nominated growers or write in names of other eligible producers. Completed ballots must be emailed to <a href="mailto:DATCPMarketOrders@wisconsin.gov">DATCPMarketOrders@wisconsin.gov</a> or postmarked to DATCP, Market Orders Program, PO Box 8911, Madison, WI 53708 on or before June 16, 2025.

## **About the Ginseng Board of Wisconsin**

The Ginseng Board of Wisconsin is composed of seven at-large producers who are responsible for administering Wisconsin's Ginseng Marketing Order. The board oversees the collection and use of approximately \$200,000 in assessment fees paid by Wisconsin ginseng growers. The funding is used to support the industry through research, education, and promotion of Wisconsin-grown ginseng.

DATCP administers elections for Wisconsin commodity marketing boards. To learn more about the marketing boards, visit <a href="https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/About\_Us/MarketingBoards.aspx">https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/About\_Us/MarketingBoards.aspx</a>.

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