

## **Northwest Berry Foundation's Berry Recovery Project**

### **TOP 10 QUESTIONS FOR GROWERS INTERESTED IN DONATING BERRIES**

1. What type of berry am I donating (blueberries, strawberries, blackberries, etc.) ?
2. What quantity is available?
  - a. Number of pounds, number of rows, number of boxes, etc.?
3. When should the harvesters come? Be as specific as possible (day, date, time)
  - a. Are you flexible on this day & time or not?
4. Where is the farm located?
  - a. Where exactly is the field located?
5. How will that field be marked (with tape, with a variety label)?
6. Where will the closest bathroom and hand washing station be located?
7. Where can harvesters park their cars?
8. Can a truck or van park close to, or in the field which is being picked?
9. Will there be picking equipment (buckets or boxes) available for harvesters?
10. Who is the best person to call if there are any questions or issues when harvesting?
  - a. What is the telephone number of that person?

#### Other questions:

1. Have the berries been sprayed with anything recently?
2. If yes, what and when?
3. What is the Restricted Entry Interval (REI) of that product?
4. Why is the product being donated (any quality issues)?

### **Top 10 Questions for Processors Interested in Donating Berries**

1. What type of product am I donating (frozen berries, juice, jam, etc.)?
2. Why is the product being donated (any quality issues)?
3. What quantity is available?
  - a. Number of pounds, number of bags, number of bottles?
4. When should the collection organization come? Be as specific as possible (day, date, time)
  - a. Are you flexible on this day & time or not?
5. Where is the processor located (physical address)?
6. Where exactly is the product located?
7. How will the product be marked to show it is for donation?
8. Should the collection organization check in with a specific person at the office?
  - a. If yes, who is that person and what is their number?
9. Where should the pick-up van or cars park?
10. Were the berries every sprayed with anything?
  - a. If so, what and when?