# TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT NOTICE

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**TO:** STATE WORKFORCE AGENCIES

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**FROM:** MOLLY E. CONWAY /s/

**Acting Assistant Secretary** 

**SUBJECT:** 2019 Monitor Advocate National Training

- 1. Purpose. To inform State Workforce Agencies (SWA) and Monitor Advocates (MA) of the 2019 Monitor Advocate National Training sponsored by the Employment and Training Administration (ETA). The training will be held at the Denver Federal Center (DFC) in Denver, Colorado, June 25-28, 2019. Some Regional Monitor Advocates (RMA) may request that the State Monitor Advocates (SMA) in their region stay until 12pm on Friday for pre-harvest discussions.
- **2.** Action Requested. To comply with regulations set forth at 20 CFR 653.108(e), SWA Administrators are requested to allow SMAs and other staff involved with farmworker-related services to attend the 2019 Monitor Advocate National Training.

#### 3. Summary and Background.

- a. Summary This TEN seeks the support of State Administrators for their SMA and relevant staff to attend the 2019 Monitor Advocate National Training. This training is important because it will: 1) Enhance SMAs knowledge, skills, and confidence to fulfill their responsibilities regarding services to migrant and seasonal farmworkers (MSFWs) and to employers who seek workers for agricultural job orders pursuant to 20 CFR 651, 653, 654, and 658; 2) Help SMAs address common challenges and learn best practices; and 3) Help SMAs gain a national perspective on the regulations and what ETA expects of them. Moreover, almost 20 percent of SMAs nationally are relatively new to their positions (meaning they have been in their position for less than two years) and have never attended a national training. This training will be an especially great opportunity for these newer SMAs to meet more experienced SMAs, learn from them, build professional relationships, and expand their network of resources.
- b. Background Wagner-Peyser Act regulations at 20 CFR 653.108(e) stipulate that all SMAs are required to attend training sessions conducted by ETA's National and/or Regional Monitor Advocates. Further, ETA RMAs are required to meet with SMAs to discuss the states' capabilities for providing services to Migrant and Seasonal

Farmworkers (MSFWs) during the upcoming harvest season, as outlined at regulations at 20 CFR 658.603(q).

#### 4. Details.

a. Where:

**DFC** 

One Denver Federal Center

**Building 41** 

Denver, Colorado 80225

- b. When: Tuesday, June 25 through Friday, June 28, 2019. The training will take place from approximately 8:30am to 5:30pm each day.
- c. Accommodations: See attachment 1 for a list of hotels in the surrounding area.
- **5.** <u>Inquiries</u>. For further information, please contact the National Monitor Advocate Team at NMA@dol.gov.

### 6. References.

- 20 CFR 651
- 20 CFR 653
- 20 CFR 654
- 20 CFR 658

## 7. Attachments.

- Attachment I: Hotels near Denver Federal Center
- Attachment II: Draft Agenda