

The Commission has received requests to regulate the following vegetables: RED ONIONS / SWEET ONIONS / WHITE ONIONS / SILVER SKIN ONIONS / SHALLOTS

The YELLOW ONION is the only onion variety grown in BC that is currently regulated. If these additional onion varieties become regulated vegetables, they will be subject to the British Columbia Vegetable Scheme and the authority of the BC Vegetable Marketing Commission (BCVMC). The BCVMC will be responsible for maintaining orderly marketing through managing the promotion, control, and regulation of production, transportation, packing, storage and marketing of all Yellow Onions, Red Onions, Sweet Onions, White Onions, Silver Skin Onions, and Shallots grown in BC.

Further information about the BCVMC and regulated BC grown vegetables can be found on our website: http://www.bcveg.com/

To advance this request the Commission needs to verify if there are any other producers in the province that are currently producing these specific onion varieties.

We would like to know if you:

- 1. Produce Red Onions, Sweet Onions, White Onions, Silver Skin Onions, Shallots;
- Are aware of any producers in BC that are currently producing these vegetables;
- 3. Have any information to be brought to the Commission's attention on this topic.

You are requested to contact the BCVMC General Manager by phone or e-mail with your information by Friday **September 6**th, **2019**.

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Once we have identified producers of these onion varieties, all identified producers will be notified of the next steps in the consultation process.

Further information on procedures for the regulation of produce can be found on the BCMVC website and in Part XIII of the General Order.