Wisconsin Soybean Marketing Board Election Open Until August 15

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MADISON, Wis. – The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) has certified two nominees who are eligible to be elected to the Wisconsin Soybean Marketing Board.

Candidates were nominated during the period that ended May 31, 2024. The election opened on July 10 and soybean growers have until August 15, 2024, to vote on the following candidates:

- **District 2 Nominee:** Justin Bauer, Eau Claire
  Buffalo, Dunn, Eau Claire, Jackson, Pepin, Pierce, Polk, St. Croix and Trempealeau counties.

- **District 6 Nominee:** Steve Wilkens, Random Lake
  Jefferson, Kenosha, Manitowoc, Milwaukee, Ozaukee, Racine, Sheboygan, Walworth, Washington and Waukesha counties.

DATCP mailed ballots to eligible soybean growers the week of July 8, 2024. Growers who have not received a ballot by July 19 can request one by contacting DATCP Market Orders Program staff at DATCPMarketOrders@wisconsin.gov. Completed ballots must be signed and sent to WI DATCP, Market Order Program, P.O. Box 8911, Madison, WI, 53708-8911. The ballots must be postmarked on or before August 15, 2024. Unsigned ballots will not be counted.

Elected growers will serve three-year terms beginning September 1, 2024.

About the Wisconsin Soybean Marketing Board
The Wisconsin Soybean Marketing Board is composed of seven growers in seven districts across the state. The board oversees the collection and use of approximately $3.5 million in assessment fees paid by Wisconsin soybean growers. This funding is used to support the soybean industry through research, education, and promotion of Wisconsin-grown soybeans.

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