

HEART MOUNTAIN WAR RELOCATION PROJECT
AGRICULTURAL PROGRAM

Organization

It is desirable that an Agricultural Organization representative of all agricultural people of the Project be formed to assist in the formulation and carrying out of the Project Agricultural Program.

In order to accomplish this a Project Agricultural Committee shall be formed. This Committee shall consist of forty (40) members, two chosen by the agricultural people of each Center Block. These Committeemen shall be chosen by each block by means of an election conducted by each Block Chairman. Such election shall be held in each and all Blocks not later than December 14, 1942. Residents of each block shall elect two agriculturists as Project Agricultural Committeemen. The Committeemen should be experienced farmers and accepted agricultural leaders. Committeemen shall be elected for a term of one year.

Immediately after the Block elections, the Project Agricultural Committeemen shall meet and form their Committee organization. The Project Agricultural Committee shall choose from their own membership six (6) representative who shall serve as an Advisory Board to the Administrative Chief of Agriculture, or his designee. The Advisory Board will be responsible to and will advise the Chief of Agriculture upon matters pertaining to the Project Agricultural Program. The Advisory Board will consult with and work with the Chief in the formulation and carrying out the Project Agricultural Program in conformity with the established policies and regulations of the War Relocation Authority. All plans and policies so formed shall be subject to the approval of the Project Director.

It is understood that members of the Project Agricultural Committee, the Agricultural Advisory Board, and the Chief of Agriculture may, at any time, call upon any agricultural persons not members of either organization for suggestions, advice, information, and assistance. Supervisory employees of the agricultural program may or may not be selected from the membership of either of these organizations. The Advisory Board, assisted by the Agricultural Committee, shall assist the Chief of Agriculture in establishing plans of the Agricultural Program, in selecting supervisory personnel, securing necessary labor, materials, etc., but shall exercise no administrative authority over such personnel, labors, materials, etc., except as such administrative authority is delegated to them by the Chief of Agriculture.

The purpose of the organization of the Project Agricultural Committee and the Advisory Board, stated briefly, is to provide a clearly defined channel through where there may be an exchange of information, suggestions and material affecting the agricultural program between the residents of the Project and the WRA Agricultural Administrative Staff. It also provides a means of effectuating the best possible agricultural program for the Heart Mountain Project. This organization provides a two-way channel: information, suggestions, etc. may be carried from the WRA administrative staff to all residents and information, suggestions, etc. may be carried to the Staff. It also provides a means of combining the desirable suggestions and materials of all into an effective Project Agricultural Program consistent with policies and facilities of the War Relocation Authority and the Project.

It is understood that the members of the Project Agriculture Committee will serve in the best interests of the agricultural welfare of the Project and without direct compensation. The members of the Agricultural Advisory Board may, upon approval of the Project Director, receive direct compensation, when it becomes necessary to devote their full working time to the Agricultural Program. The rate of compensation of the members of the Agricultural Advisory Board shall be determined by the Project Director.

Respectfully submitted

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