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Charles Tobin, Director
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
Western Regional Office
Food and Nutrition Service
90 Seventh Street, Suite 10-100
San Francisco, CA 94103

Dear Mr. Tobin:

The California Department of Social Services (CDSS) is requesting a one-year Able-Bodied Adults without Dependents (ABAWD) time limit waiver. If approved, the waiver will be effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022, and will apply in all 58 California counties. California's current waiver is scheduled to end on June 30, 2021.

This request is part of the State's continued response to the COVID-19 pandemic emergency and is based on California's eligibility for Extended Benefits under the Unemployment Insurance program within the past 12 months.

We appreciate FNS' consideration of California's request and appreciate a prompt response so that we may issue necessary guidance. In addition, to expedite the review and decision process for CDSS' request, we are available for a conference call at your earliest convenience to discuss our request.

If you have any questions regarding this waiver request, you may contact me at (916) 654-1493 or Alexis.Fernandez@dss.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Alexis Fernández
Chief, CalFresh and Nutrition Branch

Enclosures