



## State of Louisiana

Louisiana Department of Health  
Bureau of Health Services Financing  
Economic Stability

December 3, 2025

Mr. James Abraham, Regional SNAP Director  
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program  
USDA – Food and Nutrition Services  
Southwest Regional Office  
1100 Commerce Street, Room 555  
Dallas, Texas 75242

RE: Modification - SNAP Food Restriction Waiver Implementation Date

Dear Mr. Abraham:

The Louisiana Department of Health (LDH) respectfully submits this request to modify the approved implementation date for the SNAP Food Restriction Waiver currently authorized for the State of Louisiana. To ensure accurate application of policy, prevent erroneous transactions, and support consistent communication to SNAP households and authorized retailers, LDH requests approval to amend the implementation date from January 15, 2026, to February 18, 2026.

LDH remains fully committed to carrying out the objectives of the waiver and ensuring compliance with all federal requirements. Adjusting the effective date will allow the agency to complete outstanding operational tasks, finalize system updates, and ensure smooth, statewide implementation. Thank you for your continued partnership and support.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Timothy Jenkins at (225) 342-9381 or at [Timothy.Jenkins@la.gov](mailto:Timothy.Jenkins@la.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "CG", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Camille Gonaway  
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Louisiana Department of Health