

**STATE FIFRA ISSUES RESEARCH & EVALUATION GROUP (SFIREG)
JOINT MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ISSUES (EQI),
PESTICIDE OPERATIONS AND MANAGEMENT (POM) AND ENDANGERED SPECIES
STRATEGY IMPLEMENTATION (ESI) WORKING COMMITTEES' AGENDA
April 7-8, 2025**

Meeting Location:

North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Raleigh, NC

Monday April 7, 2025 (Eastern Time)

POM/EQI/ESI Joint Meeting

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| 8:15-8:25 | Welcome and Introduction of Committee Members
Hotze Wijnja, EQI Chair, Amy Brown, POM Chair, Kevin Kern, ESI Chair |
| 8:25-8:30 | Welcome to North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services
Chrissy Waggett, Assistant Commissioner NC Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services |
| 8:30-8:45 | Updates from AAPCO and SFIREG
Kelly Friend, FL, AAPCO President
Steve Dwinell, VT, SFIREG Chair |
| 8:45-9:00 | Updates from EPA OECA
Kelly Engle, EPA Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance (OECA) |
| 9:00-9:30 | Pesticides and the Monarch Butterfly Proposed Decision
Hotze Wijnja, MA, Amy Brown, FL, Kevin Kern, MI Committee Chairs, and Kimberly Nesci, USDA, Office of Pest Management Policy (OPMP) |
| 9:30-10:00 | Glufosinate-P Registration
Hotze Wijnja, MA, Amy Brown, FL, Kevin Kern, MI Committee Chairs and Janet Hou, BASF and Dillon Gabbert, CLA and Kaitlin Picone, EPA Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• EPA provides information about the registration• Training and outreach requirement outlined as condition in Notice of Pesticide Registration discussion |
| 10:00-10:15 | BREAK |
| 10:15-10:30 | Digital Labeling
Hotze Wijnja, MA, Amy Brown, FL, Kevin Kern, MI Committee Chairs, and Michelle Arling, EPA/OPP/ Immediate Office (IO), Dan Schoeff, EPA/OPP/IO <ul style="list-style-type: none">• EPA will provide an update of activities related to digital labeling<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Including overview of the new pesticide Metamitron's structured Label |

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- 10:30-10:45 **Web Distributed Labeling**
Hotze Wijnja, MA, Amy Brown, FL, Kevin Kern, MI Committee Chairs, and Michelle Arling, EPA/OPP/ IO
- EPA will provide an overview of web labeling
 - PRN – 2014-01
 - Difference between web and digital labeling
 - JWC committee members Q&A opportunities
 - States have concerns over internet access, state registration process and enforcement (See PRE-SFIREG Questions – summarized by POM)
- 10:45-11:15 **Rodenticides**
Hotze Wijnja, MA, Amy Brown, FL, Kevin Kern, MI Committee Chairs, and Katie Swift, Anticoagulant Rodenticide Task Force Chair
- Anticoagulant Rodenticide Task Force Update – Katie Swift, Chair
- 11:15-11:45 **Pesticide Registration Improvement Act (PRIA) 5 – Bilingual labeling Update**
Hotze Wijnja, MA, Amy Brown, FL, Kevin Kern, MI Committee Chairs, and Dillon Gabbert, Director, State Regulatory Affairs CropLife America (CLA) and Responsible Industry for a Sound Environment (RISE)
- PRIA Coalition Bilingual labeling Workgroup Update- Dillon Gabbert
- 11:45-12:15 **Agricultural Retailer Outreach Program**
Hotze Wijnja, MA, Amy Brown, FL, Kevin Kern, MI Committee Chairs, and Dillon Gabbert, CLA, Industry Reps, TBD
- 12:15-1:00 **LUNCH (Provided for Committee Members. Other attendees may order and pay for lunch [via this link](#) and have it delivered with committee lunches-email Amy Sullivan at aapco.sfireg@gmail.com so she knows to look for your order)**
- 1:00-3:00 **North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Laboratory Tour**
Pat Jones and Pat Farquhar, NC
- 3:00-3:15 **BREAK**
- 3:15-5:00 **Concurrent POM/EQI/ESI Breakout Sessions**
- POM Concurrent Session**
- 3:15-5:00 **Discussion of POM Action Items and Topics of Interest**

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- 3:15-4:15 **Digital Labeling topic**
Amy Brown, FL, Committee members, and Michelle Arling, EPA/OPP/IO, Dan Schoeff, EPA/OPP/IO, Mark Lewis, Caliper
- Discussion on state registration processes and pain points
 - Review the new pesticide Metamitron's structured Label

- 4:15-5:00 **Web Distributed labeling topic**
Amy Brown, FL, Committee members, and Michelle Arling, EPA/OPP/IO
- Continued discussions between POM and EPA
 - Answers to PRE-SFIREG Questions

EQI Concurrent Session

- 3:15-5:00 **Discussion of EQI Action Items and Topics of Interest**
- 3:15-5:00 **Pesticides and Water: Proposed** Cooperative Agreement Guidance reporting requirements; better recognition of state-shared data by EPA with assessments and registration actions; sharing of Pesticides of Interest/Concern among states and regions (type of water quality information and options for sharing)

ESI Concurrent Session

- 3:15-5:00 **Discussion of ESI Action Items and Topics of Interest**
- 3:15-4:00 **Discussion on Submitting Comments on Proposed Monarch Decision –** USFWS Presentation / Information sharing within committee
- 4:00-4:30 **California's PULA refinement process –** Information exchange on the steps California followed to refine PULAs: Polo Moreno, California Department of Pesticide Regulation
- 4:30-5:00 **Glufosinate-P Registration Continued–** Training and outreach requirement outlined as condition in Notice of Pesticide Registration: Janet Hou, BASF; Dillon Gabbert, CLA

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- 8:30-12:00 **Concurrent POM/EQI/ESI Breakout Sessions**

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POM Concurrent Session

- 8:30-12:00 **Discussion of POM Action Items and Topics of Interest**
- 8:30-9:30 **Feed and Pesticides Guidance**
Sarah Caffery, IN, Morgan Griffith, VT, and POM committee members
- Update on progress towards the guidance
- 9:30-10:00 **Non-Notification Topic**
Amy Brown, FL, Sarah Caffery, IN, POM committee members
- Review collaborations between POM and EPA
 - Non-notification related to bilingual labeling topic
 - Discuss progress of revising the Pesticide Labeling Q & A to reflect that when it comes to QR codes, only Spanish labeling can be done by non-notification.
 - Notes: From our last meeting with PRD (Nov. 2024), they were working with the EPA labeling committee to update the Q & A. POM requested EPA share the draft Q & A prior to posting on the website.
 - Pesticide Registration Notice (PRN) 98-10: Notifications, Non-Notifications and Minor Formulation Amendments revisions topic.
 - Discuss progress of revising PRN 98-10
 - Notes: From our last meeting with RD (Nov. 2024), EPA is planning to revise PRN 98-10 by the end of 2025. It will go out for public comment. POM shared issues with the notice and requested EPA share draft and continue to engage POM with the revision process.
- 10:00-10:15 **EPA Label Amendment Cover/Acceptance Letters Topic**
Amy Brown, FL, Sarah Caffery, IN, POM committee members
- Review discussions between POM and EPA
 - Oxadiazon example -POM raised concerns regarding oxadiazon going to RUP without states being notified (except for the label amendment cover letter). Moving forward, EPA PRD will flag anything changing to RUP in the quarterly reg review action summaries that are distributed to AAPCO members.
 - Are there any additional ideas for state notification?
 - [Restricted Use Products \(RUP\) Report | US EPA](#)
 - Follow-up to the topic and question, what are states supposed to do with the label amendment cover letters regarding enforcement?

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- What are states currently doing with the letters regarding enforcement?
- Does POM need a discussion with EPA OECA regarding when would states need to utilize the information from acceptance letters for enforcement activities.

10:15-10:30 **BREAK**

- 10:30-11:00 Review of POM Action Items
- **Respirator PPE Topic**
Chapter 11 (WPS, including PPE) of the Label Review Manual needs updating to reflect proper respirator statements for labels. Committee discusses status of revisions to manual.
 - **Pesticide Devices Making Public Health Claims – Issue Paper**
Issue paper submitted December 2019 https://aapco.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/sfireg-issue-paper-pesticide-devices-and-public-health-claims_01_16_2020.pdf.
 - **25(b) Rulemaking Topic**

- 11:00-12:00 **Opportunity for POM committee members to share and discuss topics and issues from their state and region, wrap up and identify action items**
POM committee members
- Biostimulant topic
 - Topics/Issues for PRE-SFIREG meetings
 - Issues requiring consideration and action by Full SFIREG

EQI Concurrent Session

8:30-12:00 **Discussion of EQI Action Items and Topics of Interest**

- 8:30-9:15 **Mosquito Mist Blower Issue Paper follow-up:**
- Efforts to reach out to industry groups for information on label language to protect non-applicator humans, pets, and non-target areas from spray and drift.
 - Sources of best practices for mist blower use

- 9:15-10:00 **PFAS and Pesticides:**
- Tri-Fluoro-Acetate(TFA) in the context of pesticide degradation;
 - Consideration of recent studies;
 - Developments in states relative to PFAS and pesticides.

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| 10:00-10:15 | Treated Seeds: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Developments in states relative to treated seeds• Update on state research efforts and other state-related efforts |
| 10:15-10:30 | BREAK |
| 10:30-10:45 | Treated Seeds: (continued) |
| 10:45-11:15 | EPA's Pesticide Water Calculator: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Consideration of recent developments and updates to this model and how it can be of value for state programs |
| 11:15-11:30 | Aquatic Life Benchmarks: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Consideration of Aquatic Life Protective Values Developed for Pesticides under FIFRA and the Clean Water Act (CWA); |
| 11:30-12:00 | Other Topics of Interest <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Consideration of information on efforts to assess and explain unusually high loss of honeybee colonies• Other topics |

ESI Concurrent Session

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| 8:30-12:00 | Discussion of ESI Action Items and Topics of Interest |
| 8:30-9:30 | USFWS Offset Project – Discussion of the Region 3 project on offsets and areas of potential collaboration: Ashlea Frank, Compliance Services |
| 9:30-10:15 | Mitigation Determination Process / Training – Sharing of information and discussion: Dr. Stanley Culpepper, University of Georgia |
| 10:15-10:30 | BREAK |
| 10:30-12:00 | Closed Session Discussion – ESI / USDA / EPA (if available) |
| 12:00-1:00 | LUNCH (Provided for Committee Members. Other attendees may order and pay for lunch via this link and have it delivered with committee lunches- email Amy Sullivan at aapco.sfireg@gmail.com so she knows to look for your order) |

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| 1:00- 1:40 | EQI Committee Breakout Session Report
Hotze Wijnja, MA, Committee Chair and Committee Members <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Committee report on EQI activities• Topics/Issues for PRE-SFIREG meetings• Issues requiring consideration and action by Full SFIREG |
| 1:40- 2:20 | ESI Committee Breakout Session Report
Kevin Kern, MI, Committee Chair and Committee Members <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Committee to report on ESI activities• Topics/Issues for PRE-SFIREG meetings• Issues requiring consideration and action by Full SFIREG |
| 2:20- 3:00 | POM Committee Breakout Session Report
Amy Brown, FL, Committee Chair and Committee Members <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Committee to report on POM activities• Topics/Issues for PRE-SFIREG meetings• Issues requiring consideration and action by Full SFIREG |
| 3:00 | Adjourn |