

**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
September 15-16, 2025**

Meeting Location:

Michigan Department of Agriculture & Rural Development (MDARD)
350 Ottawa Ave NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49503

Monday September 15, 2025 (Eastern Daylight Time)

POM/EQI/ESI Joint Meeting

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| 8:00-8:10 | Welcome and Introduction of Committee Members
Raj Mann, MN EQI Chair, Ernesto Lugo AZ, POM Chair, Kevin Kern MI,
ESI Chair |
| 8:10-8:15 | Welcome to Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural
Development
Brian Verhougstraete, Pesticide Section Manager, MDARD |
| 8:15-8:30 | Updates from AAPCO and SFIREG
Kelly Friend, FL, AAPCO President
Steve Dwinell, VT, SFIREG Chair |
| 8:30-8:45 | Updates from EPA OPP
Liz Vizard, Deputy Office Director for Programs
EPA Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP) |
| 8:45-9:00 | Updates from EPA OECA
Kelly Engle, EPA Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance
(OECA) |
| 9:00-9:15 | Updates from USDA OPMP
Michele Ranville, Senior Economist, USDA OCE Office of Pest
Management Programs |
| 9:15-9:30 | Cooperative Agreement Update
Cindy Wire, EPA Office of Program Support (OPS) |
| 9:30- 10:00 | Registration and Registration Review Updates – New products,
upcoming PIDs and registration actions
Anne Overstreet, EPA/OPP Pesticide Re-evaluation Division (PRD),
and Charles Smith, Registration Division (RD) |
| 10:00-10:15 | BREAK |

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10:15-10:45	Dicamba Proposed Registration Lindsay Roe, OPP/RD; Sarah Meadows, OPP/RD
10:45-11:00	Digital Labeling Update Michelle Arling EPA/OPP; Dan Schoeff EPA/OPP
11:00-11:30	Rodenticide Update Dana Friedman, EPA PRD
	Rodenticide Task Force Update Katie Swift, Chair
11:30-11:45	PIRT Update Amy Sullivan, NASDA Foundation
11:45-12:00	PERC UAV Update Suzanne Forsyth, UC Davis, PERC Director
12:00-1:30	LUNCH – on your own
1:30-5:00	Concurrent POM/EQI/ESI Breakout Sessions

POM Concurrent Session

1:30 - 5:00	Discussion of POM Action Items and Topics of Interest
1:30-3:00	Digital Labeling topic Ernesto Lugo AZ, Committee members, and Michelle Arling, EPA/OPP/IO, Dan Schoeff, EPA/OPP/IO, Mark Lewis, Caliper <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Continue Discussions on state registration processes and pain points• Demonstration of a digital system's ability to search across labels• Review Caliper's response to EPA white paper• Review Links and benefits for digital labeling
3:00-3:15	BREAK

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- 3:15-4:00 **Feed-through Pesticides Guidance**
Sarah Caffery, IN, Morgan Griffith, VT, Ernesto Lugo, AZ, Matt Sunseri, WA, POM committee members
- Update on progress towards the guidance
 - Review DRAFT Feed Through Pesticide Regulations Decision Tree, feedback from SFIREG regional reports
- 4:00-5:00 **EPA Label Amendment Cover/Acceptance Letters Topic**
Amy Brown, FL, Sarah Caffery, IN, POM committee members
What are states currently doing with the letters regarding enforcement? Review feedback from SFIREG Regional reports
- Discussion regarding acceptance letters with conditions of registration for enforcement activities

EQI Concurrent Session

- 1:30-5:00 **Discussion of EQI Action Items and Topics of Interest**
- 1:30-2:15 **Pesticides and Water**
Pam Bryer, VT, Raj Mann MN, Hotze, Wijnja, MA, and committee members
- Finalize the water quality reporting template
 - Share the template with regions for feed back
- 2:15-3:00 **Mosquito Mist Blower Issue Paper follow up**
Hotze, Wijnja, MA, Raj Mann, MN, and committee members
- Reaching out to associations and industry to bring the label changes and consideration of education and training resources
 - Work with AAPCO and EPA regarding label changes
 - Consideration of risk assessments
- 3:00-3:15 **BREAK**
- 3:15-4:00 **PFAS AND Pesticides**
Hotze, Wijnja, MA, Pam Bryer, VT, Raj Mann, MN, and committee members
- EPA actions on PFAS pesticides and fluorinated containers
 - PFAS adjuvants
 - Trifluoroacetic Acid (TFA)

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4:00-5:00 **Pesticide Treated Seed**
Raj Mann, MN, Hotze, Wijnja, MA, and committee members
States collecting treated seed data

ESI Concurrent Session

1:30-5:00 **Discussion of ESI Action Items and Topics of Interest**

1:30-2:00 **General ESA Strategy Update – Update on developments from
EPA:** Amy Blankinship / Brian Anderson, EPA/OPP

2:00-2:45 **Discussion on Improvements to Mobile-Friendly Runoff and Spray
Drift Calculators – Potential improvements that will increase
functionality and usability of web-based tools:** Brian Anderson,
EPA/ OPP ; Melanie Biscoe EPA/PRD; Natalie Bray EPA/PRD

2:45-3:00 **Break**

3:00-3:30 **ESA Mitigation Tracker**
Cameron Douglas, CSI

3:30- 4:00 **ESA Compliance Monitoring/Enforcement – Discussion on how
PIRT could be utilized to meet the needs of states regarding ESA
compliance:** Amy Sullivan, PIRT, Royan Teter, EPA/OECA, Ricardo
Jones, EPA/OECA

4:00-5:00 **Accessing Archived / Historical BLT Information – Discussion with
OPP on the process for accessing historical ESA bulletin
information / addressing state needs:** Amy Adams, Stephen Muela,
Melanie Biscoe, EPA/OPP

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8:15-12:00 **Concurrent POM/EQI/ESI Breakout Sessions**

POM Concurrent Session

8:15-12:00 **Discussion of POM Action Items and Topics of Interest**

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- 8:15–8:30 **Review items from Day 1 POM session**
Ernesto Lugo AZ, and Committee members
- 8:30-9:00 **Certification and Training Implementation Update**
Ernesto Lugo, POM Chair, Ryne Yagr, EPA PRD
- 9:00-9:45 **Bilingual labeling update and discussion**
Isabel Gross, OPP/PRD, Susan Bartow, OPP/PRD, Dillon Gabbert, CLA, Amy Brown, FL, Sarah Caffery, IN, POM committee members
- EPA Update
 - PRIA Coalition Bilingual labeling Workgroup Update Dillon Gabbert, Director, State Regulatory Affairs CropLife America and Responsible Industry for a Sound Environment (RISE)
 - 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.
 - Bilingual labeling Q & A was updated on July 21, 2025
- 9:45-10:00 **Pesticide Registration Notice (PRN) 98-10: Notifications, Non-Notifications and Minor Formulation Amendments revisions**
Amy Brown, FL, Sarah Caffery, IN
- Pesticide Registration Notice (PRN) 98-10: Notifications, Non-Notifications and Minor Formulation Amendments revisions topic.
 - Discuss progress of revising PRN 98-10
 - EPA RD met with POM on May 22, 2025, and share revisions to PRN 98-10, and POM provided feedback at the meeting.
 - EPA plans to update the Pesticide Labeling Q & A after the revision is final.
 - Last update (July 22, 2025) from EPA RD is that the workgroup is still actively working on the document, and it is going through internal review. We should have a better idea on timing for public comment after it has been reviewed by OGC and others within OPP.

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10:00-10:15 **Break**

10:15-10:30 **Respirator PPE Topic**
Ernesto Lugo, POM Chair

- Chapter 10 (WPS, including PPE) of the Label Review Manual needs updating to reflect proper respirator statements for labels. Committee discusses status of revisions to manual.

10:30-10:45 **Pesticide Devices Making Public Health Claims – Issue Paper**
Ernesto Lugo, POM Chair

- 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.

10:45-11:00 **25(b) Rulemaking Topic**
Ernesto Lugo, POM Chair

11:00-11:30 **New World Screwworm**
Ernesto Lugo, POM Chair; Amy Brown, FL, and Ryan Wolker, Arizona State Veterinarian

11:30-12:00 **POM New Topics discussion**
POM Committee members

- Active Ingredients vs. Brand name in label use restrictions
- USDA rule recission of private applicator record keeping
- SLITS

12:00 – 1:30 LUNCH – on your own

EQI Concurrent Session

8:15-12:00 **Discussion of EQI Action Items and Topics of Interest**

8:15 – 8:30 **Review items from Day 1 EQI session**
Raj Mann, MN, and Committee members

8:30- 9:00 **Rodenticides**
Hotze, Wijnja, MA, Raj Mann, MN, and committee members
Status update

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- 9:00-10:00 **Aquatic Life Benchmarks and biological evaluations**
Xin Deng, CA, Raj Mann, MN, and committee members
Comparison of aquatic life benchmarks and bio evaluations
- 10:00-10:15 **Break**
- 10:30-12:00 **Other Topics**
Raj Mann, MN, and Committee members
- Honey bee losses
 - Water calculator
 - Aminopolyphosphonates yielding glyphosate
 - Dicamba
 - Methomyl fly bait: update on regulatory developments

12:00 – 1:30 LUNCH – on your own

ESI Concurrent Session

- 8:15-12:00 **Discussion of ESI Action Items and Topics of Interest**
- 8:15-8:45 **Update from Industry on ESA-related challenges encountered during 2025 growing season** – Kevin Kern, ESI Chair; Dillon Gabbert from CLA/RISE, Janet Hou, BASF, Frank Wong, Bayer CropScience, Reuben Baris, Corteva Agriscience
- 8:45-9:15 **Update / Discussion on ESA Conservation Program Evaluation Process** – Kelly Tindall EPA/BEAD
- 9:15-10:15 **Communication with SLA's surrounding updates made to BLT** – Continued discussion with EPA regarding SLA needs for how updates to BLT are communicated: Brian Anderson, EPA/OPP
- 10:15-10:30 **Break**
- 10:30-11:00 **Update / Discussion on ESA National Forum** – Next steps and planning for National Forum: Dillon Gabbert, CLA/RISE, Kim Brown, University of Tennessee Extension, Kelly Navinsky-Wenzl, KS Dept of Ag

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- 11:00-11:30 **Suggested Mitigation Menu** – Discussion regarding suggested improvements in functionality and usability of materials found in these website resources: Natalie Bray, Nicole Zinn, EPA/PRD
- 11:30-12:00 **Opportunity for ESI committee members to share and discuss topics and issues from their state and region, wrap up and identify action items**
- 12:00 – 1:30 LUNCH – on your own**

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- 1:30 – 1:35 **Resume Joint Meeting – Announcements**
Raj Mann, MN EQI Chair, Ernesto Lugo AZ, POM Chair, Kevin Kern MI, ESI Chair
- 1:35- 2:05 **EQI Committee Breakout Session Report**
Raj Mann, MN, Committee Chair and Committee Members
- Committee report on EQI activities
 - Topics/Issues for PRE-SFIREG meetings
 - Issues requiring consideration and action by Full SFIREG
- 2:05-2:35 **ESI Committee Breakout Session Report**
Kevin Kern, MI, Committee Chair and Committee Members
- Committee to report on ESI activities
 - Topics/Issues for PRE-SFIREG meetings
 - Issues requiring consideration and action by Full SFIREG
- 2:35-3:05 **POM Committee Breakout Session Report**
Ernesto Lugo, AZ, Committee Chair and Committee Members
- Committee to report on POM activities
 - Topics/Issues for PRE-SFIREG meetings
 - Issues requiring consideration and action by Full SFIREG
- 3:05-3:30 **Committee Discussion and Follow-up**
Steven Dwinell, VT, SFIREG Chair
- 3:30 **Adjourn**