

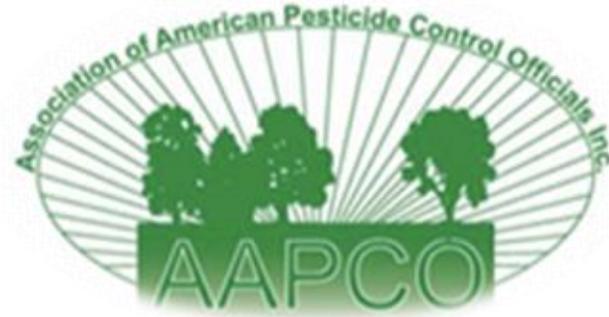
Pesticide Registration Panel Discussion

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Discussion

- State Pesticide Registration Process
- AAPCO/SFIREG/Working Committees
- Co-Regulator Successes
- Ongoing Collaborations

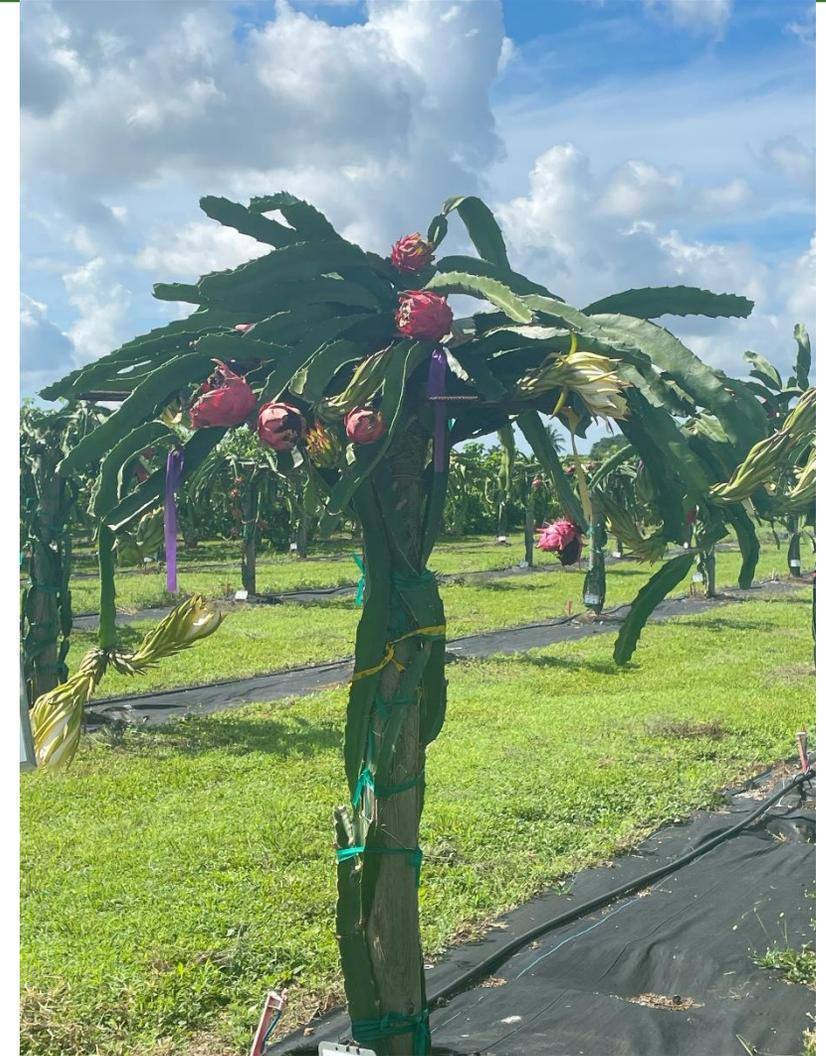


State Pesticide Registration Process



Pesticide Registration Process (Florida Example)

- Regulatory Requirements:
 - Chapter 487 F.S. Pesticide Regulation and Safety
 - Chapter 5E-2 F.A.C. Pesticides
- Total registered brands of pesticide products: 16,660 (as of 2/20/26)
- Biennial registrations are processed on an odd year (2025, 2027) cycle
- State law requires re-registration of all active product brands on a 2-year cycle



Registration Categories

FIFRA Section 3/
Federally Registered
Pesticides

Exempt/
Minimum Risk/25b
Pesticides

Special
Registrations

Special Local
Needs (SLN)

New Active
Ingredients (NAI)

Significant New
Uses (SNU)

Experimental Use
Permits (EUP)

Emergency
Exemptions
(Sect. 18)

Revised Product
Labels

The Registration Process



Registrant submits application

1. Final Printed Label
2. EPA Stamp Accepted Label
3. Safety Data Sheet (SDS)
4. EPA form 8570-5 (for Supplemental Distributor products)



Registration Specialist reviews application for completion



Registration data is entered into the Registration Tracking System (RTS)

The Registration Process



Pesticide Product Coordinator conducts final review and organizes PREC reviews for special registrations



Once the review is complete, final printed labels are approved



**Registration approval letter is sent to the Registrant
Florida has 90 days to make a registration decision**

Florida Pesticide Registration Evaluation Committee (PREC)

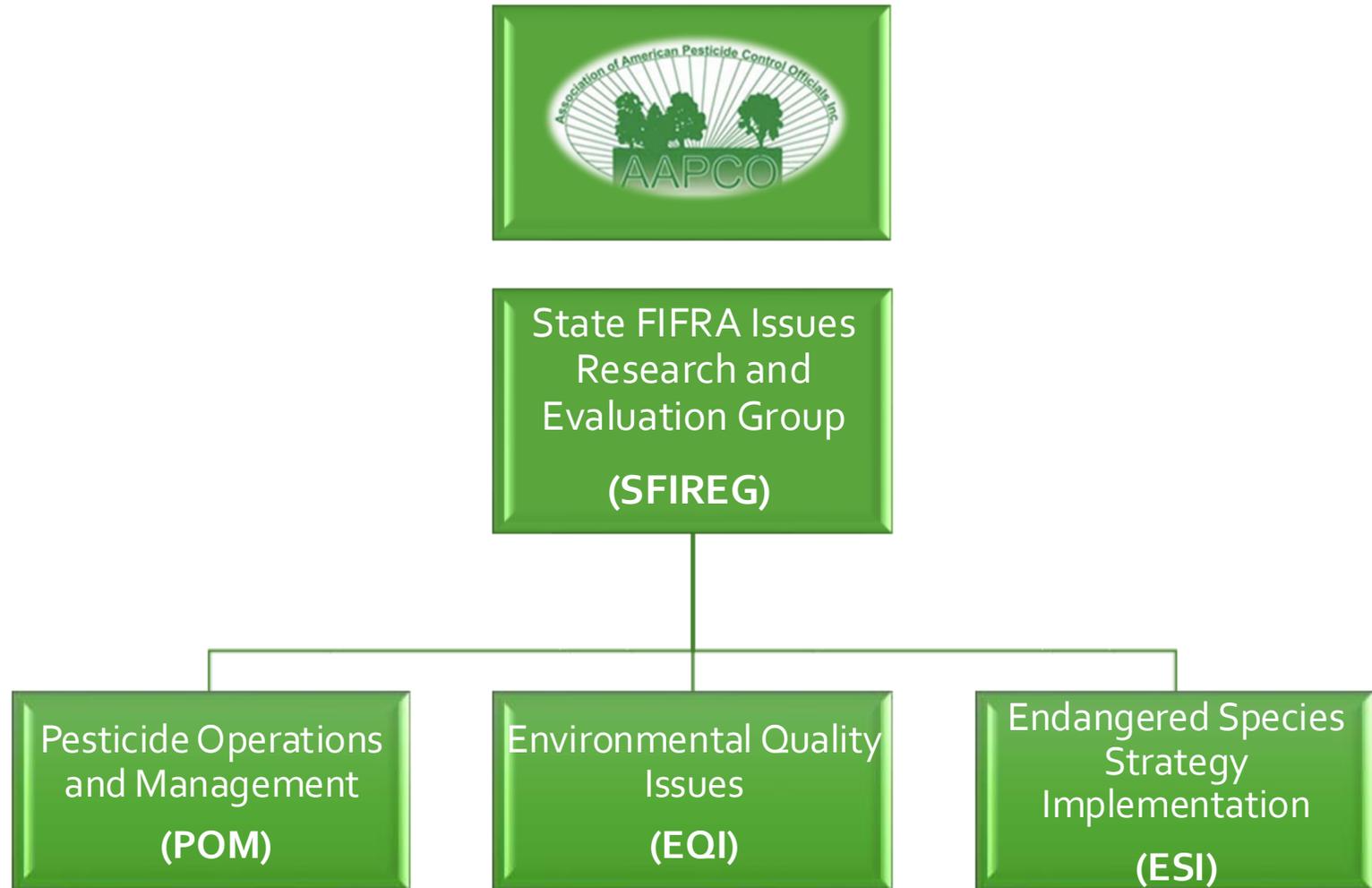
- Chapter 487.041(5), Florida Statutes states in part that the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (FDACS) “shall seek the review and comment of other appropriate agencies.”
- Evaluates all special registrations
- Established by FDACS in 1984 to implement review responsibilities
- Includes Scientists from: FDACS’s Division of Agricultural Environmental Services, FDACS’s Division of Food Safety, Florida Department of Health, Florida Department of Environmental Protection, and Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission



AAPCO/SFIREG/ Working Committees



Association of American Pesticide Control Officials (AAPCO)



POM

The Pesticide Operations and Management (POM) Working Committee is focused on registration, certification, and enforcement related pesticide issues of national or regional importance

EQI

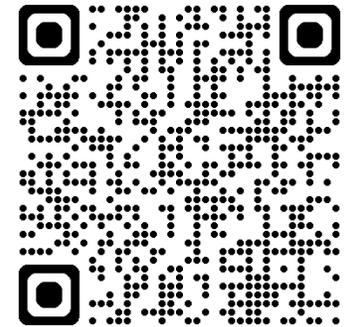
The Environmental Quality Issues (EQI) Working Committee is involved with pesticide issues related to water quality, threatened and endangered species, human health and the environment, risk assessments, and technical aspects of the implementation of pesticide programs

ESI

The Endangered Species Strategy Implementation (ESI) Working Committee is involved with implementation of EPA's strategies to support ESA compliance

JWC

- Joint Working Committee (JWC) is comprised of all three working committees, and they meet twice a year (Spring and Fall)
- Save the date:
 - Spring JWC Meeting
 - April 7-8, 2026
 - Location: Austin, TX
 - Texas Department of Agriculture



POM Co-Regulator Successes



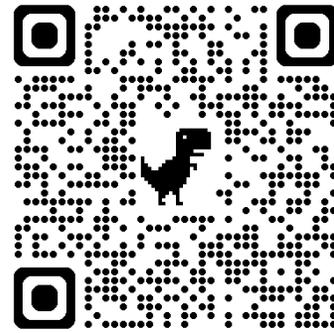
Bilingual Labeling & Non-Notification

- EPA updated the pesticide labeling questions and answers and added a Non-notification section <https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-labels/pesticide-labeling-questions-answers#non-notifications>
 - This created additional questions about supplemental distributors and what they are allowed to do via non-notification.
 - POM asked for consistent terms/definitions across all Q&As (e.g., Bilingual labeling, pesticide labeling)
- EPA's Pesticide Re-evaluation Division participated in the Fall 2025 JWC POM session
 - EPA is working with their labeling committee to update the pesticide labeling Q&A to reflect that when it comes to QR codes, only Spanish labeling can be done by non-notification. This is ongoing and will not be completed until PRN 98-10 is revised. (next slide, Part 2)
 - ✓ EPA provided POM with a DRAFT Bilingual Labeling Q&A and requested feedback prior to posting. POM provided feedback and the BL Q&A was posted on October 2, 2025 <https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-labels/bilingual-labeling-questions-answers>

Non-Notification – Part 2

- POM requested EPA allow SLAs to be a part of the PRN 98-10 Pesticide Registration Notice (PRN) 98-10: Notifications, Non-Notifications and Minor Formulation Amendments revision conversation
 - Asked for open dialogue for specific questions related to certain elements
 - Clarification on what is included in the different areas (non-notification, notification, amendment)
- POM collaborated with EPA's Registration Division
 - ✓ EPA proposed updates to Pesticide Registration Notice (PRN) 98-10, "Notifications, Non-notifications and Minor Formulation Amendments." The new draft would provide updated guidance to registrants submitting minor modifications to a registration that do not require extensive EPA review. EPA released the proposed updates in December 2025 the extended comment period closes on March 23, 2026.

POM Resources/Successes



✓ Web- Distributed Labeling (WDL) Q&A

- WDL is a Mechanism to allow users to access a legally valid version of labeling via the internet
- https://aapco.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/06/POM_Answers_Web-Distributed-Labels-Concerns-Questions-SFIREG-Dec-2024.pdf

✓ SFIREG Multiple Products Packaged Together (MPPT) Registration Review Guidance

- the term “MPPT” includes all versions of kits, co-packs and multipacks that contain at least one federally registered pesticide product. MPPT can contain one or more FIFRA-regulated products or in some cases, FIFRA-regulated products along with one or more non-FIFRA products.
- <https://aapco.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/Oct-MPPT-Guidance-Document-POM-revisions-08-08-22-2.pdf>

✓ SFIREG FIFRA Section 24(c) Guidance

- https://aapco.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/aapco-sfireg-pom-section-24c-guidance_final.pdf

✓ New Requirements for Paraquat FAQs

- https://aapco.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/Paraquat-FAQ-Document_5-22-23_rev_1.pdf

Ongoing Collaborations



Digital Labeling

EPA's Short-term goals

- Update infrastructure and systems
- Engage stakeholders (Includes POM and PPDC label Reform Workgroup)
- Evaluate potential "data model" for capturing all labeling data electronically

EPA's Long-term goal – fully digital labeling system, from submission to review to final printed labeling

- Structured label – formatting labeling so the same information is in the same location
- Digital label – information in the label is presented as data, can be tagged and used in different ways

POM is collaborating with EPA for State engagement purposes specifically on their processes and needs in a digital labeling system

- Kick off meeting was October 21, 2024
- Met during the Spring and Fall 2025 JWC POM sessions
- Plans are to continue to have POM involvement

Feed and Pesticides Guidance

Problematic feed/pesticide products that establishments are identifying as medicated (regulated by FDA) but are pesticides

- Feed-through pesticides are typically incorporated into animal food; however, they have no direct effect on the animal. They move through its digestive tract relatively unchanged and are deposited in the animal's manure. These products contain pesticides that do not harm the animals themselves, but the pesticides instead act on their targets in the manure.

POM is working jointly with Association of American Feed Control Officials (AAFCO), FDA and EPA representatives to create a guidance

POM Provided the DRAFT Feed Through Pesticide Regulations Decision Tree and the DRAFT Guidance document for review at the 2025 Fall POM session

Additional POM Collaborations

EPA Label Amendment Cover/Acceptance Letters

- Oxadiazon RUP example– states only notification was the cover letter
- Questions over utilizing letters for enforcement activities
- POM provided information on the topic as part of the Spring PRE-SFIREG 2025 meeting preparation
- RUP questions on the Fall 2025 PRE-SRIREG report questions
- POM discussed topic at the Fall 2025 JWC
 - ✓ **Pesticide Registration Review Action Summary provided quarterly by EPA PRD**
- POM met with EPA OECA to discuss pending questions

Respirator PPE

- Chapter 10 (WPS, including PPE) of the Label Review Manual needs updating to reflect proper respirator statements for labels

Pesticide Devices Making Public Health Claims – SFIREG Issue Paper

- Submitted December 2019 – awaiting response from EPA
- Device Federal Register Notice (FRN)
 - POM met with EPA Antimicrobials division to discuss and ask questions
 - Should be posted for a 90-day public comment in 2026, may organize a state call prior to posting

Get Involved!



Join a working committee

Nominations for working committee members will be sent out by AAPCO in the Spring 2026

Terms are 3 years



Spring JWC 2024 Chesapeake Farms



Questions or Ideas ?

<https://aapco.org/>

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