NOTICE TO PESTICIDE REGISTRANTS 
REGARDING INITIATION OF RISK ASSESSMENT PROCESS 
FOR THE ACTIVE INGREDIENT 
ESFENVALERATE

This notice informs registrants that the Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR) is initiating the risk assessment process for registered pesticide products containing the active ingredient esfenvalerate.

Food and Agricultural Code (FAC) sections 13121-13130 require DPR to review the toxicology database of all registered pesticide active ingredients. FAC section 13134 requires DPR to assess dietary risks associated with the use of pesticides. In addition, FAC section 12824 requires DPR to endeavor to eliminate from use in California any pesticide that endangers the agricultural or nonagricultural environment. DPR identified esfenvalerate as having potential adverse health effects in studies of sufficient quality to allow risk characterization.

During the risk assessment process, DPR evaluates the significance of the adverse effects. If DPR decides that use of, or certain uses of, pesticide products containing the active ingredient esfenvalerate result in a significant adverse effect, action must be taken to mitigate the adverse effect.

When DPR identifies the endpoints of toxicological significance, you will be informed of those endpoints and given an opportunity to provide comments.

Please address all requests for additional information to, Ms. Victoria Hornbaker by e-mail at vhornbaker@cdpr.ca.gov or by telephone at (916) 324-3915.

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