



Department of Pesticide Regulation



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TO: County Agricultural Commissioners

SUBJECT: METHYL BROMIDE FIELD FUMIGATION TRAINING SCHEDULE

In early November 2004, the Office of Administrative Law is expected to approve the new methyl bromide field fumigation regulations, which are set to go into effect immediately thereafter. As with any significant new regulatory effort, there will be a period of time before we can expect complete knowledge and full compliance within the industry. County agricultural commissioners may use reasonable enforcement discretion on a case-by-case basis during this implementation period.

The Department of Pesticide Regulation has finished developing the training package for these new regulations and plans on conducting training sessions for the county staff as follows:

Ventura County Area
October 20, 2004
Farm Bureau
5156 McGrath, Suite 101
Ventura, California 93003

Salinas Area
October 21, 2004
Monterey County Agricultural Commissioner's Office
Conference Room
1428 Abbott Street
Salinas, California 93901

Fresno Area
October 26, 2004
Fresno County Agricultural Department
1730 South Maple Avenue
Fresno, California 93702



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San Diego Area
November 3, 2004
San Diego County Operation Center
Building 2 Department of Public Work Conference Room
5555 Overland Avenue
San Diego, California 92123

Riverside Area
November 4, 2004
Coachella Valley Water District
85-995 Avenue 52
Coachella, California 92236

Northern Area
November 16, 2004
Shasta County Department of Agriculture
3179 Bechelli Lane, Suite 210
Redding, California 96002

Sacramento Area
November 18, 2004
Sacramento County Department of Agriculture
4137 Branch Center Road
Sacramento, California 95827

The training will start at 9:00 a.m. and will adjourn at 4:00 p.m. Please bring a calculator, writing paper, and a pencil. Persons interested in attending this training must contact the Enforcement Branch Liaison assigned to their county to register no later than two weeks prior to any dates of the training to ensure that sufficient handouts are available.

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The Department of Pesticide Regulation will not be able to reimburse county staff for travel expenses incurred for this training.

If you have any further questions, please contact your Enforcement Branch Liaison.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

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cc: Mr. Daniel J. Merkley, Agricultural Commissioner Liaison