



Department of Pesticide Regulation

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TO: Pesticide Registrants and Other Stakeholders

SUBJECT: WEBINARS ON PROPOSED POLLINATOR PROTECTION MITIGATION MEASURES FOR USE OF NITROGUANIDINE-SUBSTITUTED NEONICOTINOIDS IN AGRICULTURAL CROPS

The Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR) is holding webinars to share information and gather feedback from the public on proposed pollinator protection mitigation measures for the use of nitroguanidine-substituted neonicotinoids in agricultural crops.

BACKGROUND

In July 2018, DPR issued a pollinator risk determination for neonicotinoids. DPR concluded that additional mitigation measures were needed to protect pollinators from the use of the nitroguanidine-substituted neonicotinoids imidacloprid, thiamethoxam, clothianidin, and dinotefuran in agricultural crops. DPR intends to implement mitigation measures through regulations. DPR's regulation proposal will be presented at two webinars. DPR encourages interested parties to attend and provide feedback as to the clarity and workability of the proposal.

WEBINAR DATES AND ACCESS INFORMATION

Interested parties can view the webinar at <<https://video.calepa.ca.gov>> during the following timeframes:

- 1) August 11, 2020 at 3:00 pm – 5:30 pm PDT
- 2) August 12, 2020 at 5:30 pm – 8:00 pm PDT

Note: DPR will include Spanish interpretation services during both webinars.

The webinar will also be offered through the remote webinar service Zoom for participants who intend to provide oral feedback or comment on the proposed mitigation during the webinars. In late July, DPR will issue a second California Notice on this subject that will provide Zoom participation information, an agenda, and the Web address where DPR will post informational materials, including the proposed draft regulation text.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The webinar facilitator will solicit public feedback, including questions, comments, and suggestions, and may impose time limits based on the time available and the number of people providing feedback. As such, additional feedback on the proposed mitigation measures can be

e-mailed to <neonics@cdpr.ca.gov>. Alternatively, oral feedback can be made by leaving a voicemail message at 916-445-0003. The voicemail recording is limited to three minutes. Feedback will be accepted until September 11, 2020, at 5:00 pm PDT.

If you require additional information, special accommodation, language assistance, or need this document in an alternate format (e.g., Braille, large print), please contact Mr. Russell Darling at <Russell.Darling@cdpr.ca.gov> or at 916-324-3547. Special accommodation or language assistance requests to participate in the webinars must be submitted no later than July 28, 2020.

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