

# STATE OF MAINE

# DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY

BOARD OF PESTICIDES CONTROL 28 STATE HOUSE STATION AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333

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#### **BOARD OF PESTICIDES CONTROL**

February 28, 2020 Deering Building, 90 Blossom Lane, Room 101, Augusta, Maine

9:00 – 10:00 AM Board Meeting 10:00 - 11:30 AM Public Information Gathering Session On Notification 11:30 – 12:00 PM Board Meeting Continued

#### **AGENDA**

- 1. Introductions of Board and Staff
- 2. Minutes of the January 15, 2020 Board Meeting

Presentation By: Megan Patterson, Director

Action Needed: Amend and/or Approve

3. Report on 2019 Work Accomplished and Request for Funds for Mosquito Monitoring from Integrated Pest Management Program

The Integrated Pest Management Program is reporting work accomplished in 2019 and requesting funds to assist with on-going efforts for mosquito surveillance and identification, refinement of a GIS-based mosquito habitat mapping system, and continued outreach around vector-borne diseases.

Presentation By: Kathy Murray, DACF IPM Specialist

Action Needed: Discussion and Determination if the Board Wishes to Fund this

Request

4. Request to Extend Special Local Need [24(c)] Registration for Asulox Herbicide (Company) for Bracken Fern in Wild Blueberries



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In 2010, the Board first approved a Section 24(c) registration for Asulox Herbicide (EPA Reg. No. 70506-139). The 24(c) was renewed in 2014, but the registration expired January 31, 2020. This University of Maine Cooperative Extension submitted this renewal request for a 24(c) registration. In the absence of other effective control measures for bracken fern, this product has proven to be effective, especially in newly cleared land and abandoned fields returned to production. The proposed SLN will expire December 31, 2024.

Presentation By: Mary Tomlinson, Pesticides Registrar and Water Quality Specialist

Action Needed: Approve/disapprove 24(c) registration request

## 5. <u>Board Review of Notification Requirements</u>

At the January 2020 meeting of the Board, Representative Pluecker asked the Board to consider review and revision of existing notification requirements. The Board determined that it would be helpful to receive additional comment from the public and voted to host a public information gathering session at the February 28 meeting of the Board.

Presentation By: Megan Patterson, Director

Action Needed: Discussion and Determination of How the Board Wishes to Proceed

## 6. Other Items of Interest

- a. LD 2069
- b. LD 2070
- c. LD 2082
- d. LD 2083
- e. Forestry Report and Public Law 2019 Chapter 84
- f. Board of Pesticides Control 2019 Government Evaluation Act Report
- g. Policy Describing the Environmental Risk Assessment Committee
- h. Policy Describing the Medical Advisory Committee
- i. Public Law 2020 Chapter 584 and Fiscal Note
- j. Policy on Allowable Pesticides for Control of Browntail Moth Within 250 Feet of Marine Waters
- k. Neonicotinoid Registration Reviews

#### 1. Lorsban Manufacture

# 7. <u>Schedule of Future Meetings</u>

April 17, 2020; June 5, 2020; and July 24, 2020 are proposed meeting dates.

Adjustments and/or Additional Dates?

Possible Topics for the Board's 2020 Field Trip?

### 8. Adjourn

#### **NOTES**

- The Board Meeting Agenda and most supporting documents are posted one week before the meeting on the Board website at www.thinkfirstspraylast.org.
- Any person wishing to receive notices and agendas for meetings of the Board, Medical Advisory Committee, or Environmental Risk Advisory Committee must submit a request in writing to the <u>Board's office</u>. Any person with technical expertise who would like to volunteer for service on either committee is invited to submit their resume for future consideration.
- On November 16, 2007, the Board adopted the following policy for submission and distribution of comments and information when conducting routine business (product registration, variances, enforcement actions, etc.):
  - For regular, non-rulemaking business, the Board will accept pesticide-related letters, reports, and articles. Reports and articles must be from peer-reviewed journals. E-mail, hard copy, or fax should be sent to the <u>Board's office</u> or <u>pesticides@maine.gov</u>. In order for the Board to receive this information in time for distribution and consideration at its next meeting, all communications must be received by 8:00 AM, three days prior to the Board <u>meeting date</u> (e.g., if the meeting is on a Friday, the deadline would be Tuesday at 8:00 AM). Any information received after the deadline will be held over for the next meeting.
- During rulemaking, when proposing new or amending old regulations, the Board is subject to the requirements of the APA (<u>Administrative Procedures Act</u>), and comments must be taken according to the rules established by the Legislature.