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## MEMORANDUM

Date: November 8, 2018  
 To: Board Members  
 From: Staff  
 Subject: Staff Planning Session

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Historically, board staff have met annually with the public board to discuss emerging issues and potential projects for the coming year. Staff recently held a planning session and developed a list of topics for the board's consideration. Staff would like the Board's input on which of the following items should receive priority when staff are planning their discretionary time.

- Water Quality
  - 2019 statewide groundwater monitoring
  - 2020 groundwater monitoring for hexazinone in proximity to blueberries
  - Stream sampling in conjunction with Maine DEP
- Compiling Use Data
  - Short term solution—Establish an Access database
  - Long term solution—Establish an online form linked to product registration, possibly in MEPERLS, for reporting of sales and use data
- Public Outreach
  - Got Pests? website renovation and update
  - Mobile kiosk for use at events and fairs
  - Maine Science Festival
  - Flower Shows

Overall goal: Work on collaborations with partners in Plant Health Program, Maine Natural Areas Program, DEP, Cooperative Extension, Master Gardener volunteers, Ag in the Classroom, IPM Council, etc.

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