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Sent: Monday, September 19, 2016 11:39 AM
To: Jennings, Henry
Subject: agenda item #3: illegal use of Lannate (methomyl) in Lincoln

Please include this letter, sent to you back in June, in this Friday's packet.

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From: **jody spear** **Date:** Mon, Jun 13, 2016 at 3:43 PM
Subject: illegal use of Lannate (methomyl) in Lincoln
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Dear Sirs:

As I understand it, the criminal charge against the Lincoln farmer (Fugazzi) was dropped because the pesticide control board will rule on the illegal crow poisoning and possibly assess a fine. "Collateral damage" -- killing two dogs -- is considered to be just an unfortunate accident. Should we simply forget about the other birds and pollinators that have undoubtedly picked up traces of this acutely toxic pesticide and suffered an agonizing death?

Methomyl -- a full-spectrum carbamate insecticide, neurotoxic by design -- is commonly seen as fly bait but it is in widespread use to get rid of "nuisance" wildlife (raccoons, birds, whatever) and to kill caterpillars in sod.

That Fugazzi was licensed to use pesticides and yet violated the law against killing crows with a dangerous restricted-use chemical, applied counter to label directions, makes a strong case for punitive action. Lannate (methomyl) is, by law, to be diluted and sprayed, not spread full strength on bread and left out for any creature, wild or domestic, to consume it.

I urge you to send a message with this infraction: Revoke Fugazzi's license.

Yours sincerely,
Jody Spear, Brooksville
