

We need your help!

This is your chance to affect public policy. As always, it's important for the Board to hear your opinions and respond to them.

If you can come to the Public Hearing on October 2, the Board will listen to your comments at that time. If not, they can be submitted in writing. Either way, your comments will be considered equally.

All comments must be received by the October 16 deadline.

Thank you for your help!



Maine Board of Pesticides Control

Proposed Changes to Pesticide Regulations



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*Important Information Inside:
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The Maine Board of Pesticides Control proposes to make the following changes to Chapter 28—Notification Provisions for Outdoor Pesticide Applications

This proposal will amend the current rule to implement the requirements of LD 1293, An Act To Require Citizen Notification of Pesticide Applications Using Aerial Spray or Air-carrier Application Equipment. Specifically, the proposed rule will:

- ▶ clarify that mandatory disclosure must be provided to occupants of buildings that are both on abutting properties and within 1,320 feet of the application site;
- ▶ provide an alternate notification system for applications that cannot reasonably be foreseen 90 days in advance;
- ▶ exempt from mandatory notification aerial applications that are subject to Chapter 51 of the Board's rules;
- ▶ allow land managers to propose an alternative notification plan to the Board; and
- ▶ establish deadlines and information requirements for the registry of individuals wishing to be notified.

COPIES OF PROPOSED REGULATIONS

The proposed regulations may be viewed at www.thinkfirstspraylast.org/laws/rulemaking.htm, or printed copies may be obtained from the Board of Pesticides Control office (*see contact information below*).

THERE ARE TWO OPPORTUNITIES TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROCESS

▶ COMMENT AT THE PUBLIC HEARING

Date: Friday, October 2, 2009

Time: 9:30 AM

Location: Hampton Inn, 425 Kennedy Memorial Drive, Waterville

▶ SUBMIT COMMENTS IN WRITING

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DEADLINE FOR ALL COMMENTS

5:00 PM, Friday, October 16, 2009