

# 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**

August 15, 2018 1:00 PM

Mather Auditorium, Wells Reserve at Laudholm 342 Laudholm Farm Rd, Wells, Maine

#### **AGENDA**

- 1. Introductions of Board and Staff
- 2. <u>Minutes of the July 13, 2018 Board Meeting</u>

Presentation By: Megan Patterson, Director

Action Needed: Amend and/or Approve

3. <u>Consideration of Consent Agreement with Mainely Ticks, Windham</u>

The Board's Enforcement Protocol authorizes staff to work with the Attorney General and negotiate consent agreements in advance on matters not involving substantial threats to the environment or public health. This procedure was designed for cases where there is no dispute of material facts or law, and the violator admits to the violation and acknowledges a willingness to pay a fine to resolve the matter. This case involves an unauthorized application.

Presentation By: Raymond Connors, Manager of Compliance

Action Needed: Approve/Disapprove the Consent Agreement Negotiated by Staff



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## 4. <u>Correspondence</u>

- a. Email and attachments from Riley Titus, Responsible Industry for a Sound Environment (RISE) received July 10, 2018
- b. Email and attachments from Riley Titus, RISE, received August 2, 2018
- c. Email and attachments from Karen Snyder, Portland

# 5. Other Items of Interest

- a. Central Maine Power Co. v. Town of Lebanon, 1990 (submitted by Mark Randlett, Assistant Attorney General)
- b. Staff memo re pesticide self-service sign
- c. Worker Protection Standard updated brochures
- d. Variance permit issued to Mark Eaton for control of invasive phragmites in York
- e. Variance permit issued to Piscataqua Landscaping and Tree Service for control of invasive buckthorn, honeysuckle, and bittersweet in Shepard's Cove, Kittery

## 6. Schedule of Future Meetings

October 5, 2018, November 16, 2018 and January 16, 2019 are proposed meeting dates. The January meeting will be at the Agricultural Trades Show and will include a Public Listening Session.

The Board also indicated an interest in having a Public Information Gathering Session in the fall but a date was not determined. The Board will decide whether to change and/or add dates.

Adjustments and/or Additional Dates?

## 7. Adjourn

### **NOTES**

- The Board Meeting Agenda and most supporting documents are posted one week before the meeting on the Board website at <a href="https://www.thinkfirstspraylast.org">www.thinkfirstspraylast.org</a>.
- 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 Board's office or pesticides@maine.gov. 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 meeting date (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.