SAEAC Small Focus Group on AEZ

Meeting Minutes

July 13, 2017

Present:

Name - affiliation

Rich Fenske - University of Washington Lisa Arkin - Beyond Toxics Fred Berman - OHSU Scott Dahlman - OFS Jennifer Euwer - Valley Crest Orchards Kate Suisman - NWJP Ana Molina - Beyond Toxics Rose Kachadoorian - ODA Dave Silen - Holiday Tree Farms

Nargess Shadbeh - Oregon Law Center Mike Doke - Columbia Gorge Fruit Growers Oregon OSHA staff present

Michael Wood Renée Stapleton (Facilitator) Kathleen Kincade Trena VanDeHey Sarah Rew (Recorder)

Welcome and Introductions

Those in person introduced themselves. Michael Wood gave an overview of the history and purpose of this committee.

Advisory committee role and responsibilities

The committee is open to the public. Our goal is to involve stakeholders in the development of our administrative rules, which includes providing information about the fiscal impacts of potential rule requirements.

Background

Prior to the first meeting, everyone on the SAEAC email list was provided with links to the adopted rules and to the text of the three rules being considered as a starting point for this rulemaking.

- Changes to the Worker Protection Standard (rules adopted February 14, 2017 and effective January 1, 2018)
- Rule language currently under consideration (not yet adopted):

40 CFR 170.405(a)

437-004-6405 Compliance Alternative for Protected Spaces

437-004-6406 Spray Drift

Handouts

- The List of Lists 3rd edition, 2009, Pesticide Action Network UK
- Restricted Use Pesticides, July 1, 2015, Oregon Department of Agriculture
- Examples of pesticide labels: Intrepid 2F, Paladin, Touchdown Total, Garlon 3A, Leverage 360, Comite, Asana XL

Group Discussion

The group participated in an exercise regarding the information available on the label and how that information can be used to develop a tiered AEZ. The group looked at following pieces of information:

- Signal Word
- Re-entry Interval (REI)
- General use vs. Restricted use
- Known carcinogen and endocrine interrupters

The group also discussed how we could incorporate the concepts of time/distance/shielding as it relates to the AEZ.

Timeline

Our goal is to file proposed rules with the Secretary of State during the summer of 2017. We will subsequently hold public hearings, accept public comment, and adopt the final rules with an effective date of January 1, 2018 – the same effective date as the previously adopted modifications to the Worker Protection Standard rules.

Action

Next meeting: July 25, 2017

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