

Pesticide Program Dialogue Committee Virtual Public Meeting

Zoom Virtual Platform

June 5, 2024; 11:00 a.m. -5:00 p.m. EDT

June 6, 2024; 11:00 a.m. -5:00 p.m. EDT

Day 1

The Spring 2024 Meeting was opened by Jeffrey Chang, Designated Federal Official for the Pesticide Program Dialogue Committee. A Welcome message was given by Jake Li, Deputy Assistant Administrator for Pesticide Programs. After, PPDC Members gave introductions.

The first session was given by Ed Messina, Director of the Office of Pesticide Programs, on the Office of Pesticide Programs Updates: Recent Activities, Accomplishments, and Workload Metrics. Topics included appropriations and budget, pesticide registration, registration review, workload and deadlines, ESA priorities, crop tours, and PRIA 5.

The second session on the Pesticide Label Reform Workgroup Update was led by Lisa Dreilinger, Arxada, and Michelle Arling, OPP. The PPDC heard about the progress made by the Label Reform Workgroup.

The third session on the Emerging Pathogen Implementation Committee was given by Tajah Blackburn, Senior Scientist of the Antimicrobials Division, Anastasia Swearingen, Senior Director of the American Chemistry Council, and Rhonda Jones, CEO of Scientific and Regulatory Consultants, Inc.

The final session on the Pesticide Resistance Management Workgroup 2.0 Update was presented by Nikhil Mallampalli, Biological and Economic Analysis Division, and Cameron Douglass, USDA Office of Pest Management Policy. The PPDC heard about the progress made so far on the workgroup implementing the recommendations of the original Pesticide Resistance Management Workgroup.

*A detailed transcript can be found here: <https://www.epa.gov/system/files/documents/2024-08/ppdc-transcript-day-1.pdf>

Day 2

The meeting was opened Jeffrey Chang, who gave some housekeeping items.

The first session of the day was an update on the Endangered Species Act Activities given by Jake Li and Brian Anderson, Associate Director of the Environmental Fate and Effects Division.

The second session on the Farmworker Workgroup Update was led by Mily Treviño-Sauceda, Alianza Nacional de Campesinas, Inc., and Kaitlin Picone, Office of Pesticide Programs. The PPDC heard about the progress made by the Farmworker Workgroup.

The third session on PRIA 5 Implementation Update including Bilingual Labeling and Other Worker Protections was given by Stephen Schaible, PRIA Coordinator in the Office of Pesticide Programs, Carolyn Schroeder, Pesticide Re-evaluation Division, and Susan Bartow, Pesticide Re-evaluation Division. The PPDC heard updates on PRIA 5 implementation, including bilingual labeling, set-aside grants for training, and stakeholder engagement.

The fourth session on communication and pesticide risk reduction programs was led by Kaitlin Picone, Thomas Cook, Biopesticides and Pollution Prevention Division, and Marc Lame, Emeritus Professor,

Indiana University. PPDC members heard about EPA's communication around Integrated Pest Management and other ways to educate the public on risk reduction.

The final session was an open discussion on future topics led by Ed Messina.

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Chair Certification of Minutes

I, Ed Messina, Chair of the Pesticide Program Dialogue Committee (PPDC), certify that this is the final version of the complete minutes for the video/teleconference held on June 5 and 6, 2024 that the minutes accurately reflect the discussions and decisions of the meeting.

Ed Messina, PPDC Chair

Date